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OF THE

GRAND CHAPTER

of

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

OF CANADA

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST

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TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28 and 29
A.D. 1959, A.Inv. 2489

Ordered to be read in all Chapters and preserved

BRUCE H. SMITH
Grand Z.
169 Dufferin Ave.
BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO

FRED J. JOHNSON
Grand Scribe E.
TORONTO, ONTARIO

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH...

BRUCE HARRISON SMITH

Most Excellent Grand First Principal

Born—

Millbridge, Ontario, 8th May, 1904.

Parents—

Frederick and Elizabeth.

Married—

September 6, 1936.
Wife's name: Helen Neta. One son, Frederick, a student at Albert College, Belleville, Ontario.

Religion—

Baptist.

Business—

For the past twenty years he has owned and operated his own business in Belleville, the Uptown Tire & Battery Company. A few years ago he opened a branch store at Marmora, Ontario.

Civic Activities—

Alderman for the City of Belleville for the years 1952-3-4-5; became a member of the Moira River Conservation Authority in 1953 and later Chairman from 1955 to 1959.
For many years he took a very active interests in sports—baseball, hockey, Past President of the Fish and Game Association of Belleville and District.

Masonic Record

Initiated, Passed and Raised in Eureka Lodge, No. 283, A.F. & A.M., September 13, 1933, Belleville. Charter Member of Temple Lodge, No. 666, Belleville. Exalted in Quinte Friendship Chapter, No. 227, G.R.C., April 23, 1935, Belleville. Became First Principal 1946; elected Grand Scribe N. 1947; elected to the Grand Executive Committee 1949 to 1956, elected Grand H. 1957-58, and Grand First Principal Z. April 29, 1959. His has been a very active life in Royal Arch Masonry. He is the Grand Chapter Representative for the District of Columbia; also a Life Member of St. George's Chapter, No. 5, London, Ontario, and a Charter Member of Centennial Chapter, No. 260, Streetsville, Ontario; also a Member of the Order of High Priesthood of Ontario, Member of King Baldwin Preceptory, No. 6, Belleville, Member of Rameses Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., Member of Royal and Select Masters of Ontario, Zabud Council, No. 15, Belleville.

In addition to our Grand Z.'s Masonic activities stated above, he is the Secretary-Treasurer of the Masonic Temple Corporation of Belleville, and took a large part in the construction of this splendid building.

F. J. J.

BRUCE HARRISON SMITH
BELLEVILLE - ONTARIO
Most Excellent Grand Z.
1959

The following Resolution was inadvertently omitted from the proceedings of 1958.

NOTE:—The Scribes E. of all Chapters were notified by letter.

RESOLUTION—RE 25 YEAR PAST PRINCIPAL'S JEWEL OR BAR

I hereby give notice that at the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, I will move or cause to be moved to rescind paragraph (3) on page 88 of the Proceedings of 1956, under the heading "25 Year Past Principal's Jewel" of this report, and to restore the 25 Year Past Principal's Jewel as was presented prior to the adoption of the report.

This Resolution was presented to the Executive Committee of Grand Chapter on Saturday, April 26th, 1958, at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, and it was moved by R. Ex. Comp. Geo. Sheard, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Chas. Batt that the 25 Year Past Principal's Jewel be restored and all Ex. Companions who have received the 25 Year Bar have same replaced with the 25 Year Jewel formerly used.

This Resolution was approved by the Executive Committee and passed on to Grand Chapter Convocation.

The foregoing was duly read by the Grand Scribe E.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by the Grand Scribe E. that—

RESOLVED—That this Resolution be received and adopted.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

AN ESPECIAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA WAS HELD IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE, NILESTOWN, ONTARIO, ON FRIDAY, 13th JUNE, A.D. 1958, A.Inv. 2488.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle	Grand Z. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith	Grand H. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett	Grand J. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. John W. Gough	District Grand Superintendent
R. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven	as Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson	Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. James A. Kennedy	Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. Richard A. Stewart	Grand Principal Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. David McLachlan	Grand Senior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. J. S. Bremner	Grand Junior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis	as Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. Ex. Comp. J. B. Lawrence	as Grand Outer Guard
Comp. Fred Newman	as Grand Organist

and the following assisting:

R. Ex. Comp. Ben S. Scott	R. Ex. Comp. Roy Ratz
R. Ex. Comp. S. D. Lacey	R. Ex. Comp. E. A. Webber
R. Ex. Comp. A. W. Holt	R. Ex. Comp. W. A. Campbell
R. Ex. Comp. G. Sheard	R. Ex. Comp. L. Hewson
R. Ex. Comp. T. Welch	R. Ex. Comp. B. C. Damude
V. Ex. Comp. H. Down	V. Ex. Comp. J. S. Maddock
V. Ex. Comp. F. S. Whitehall	V. Ex. Comp. W. R. Smale
V. Ex. Comp. H. C. Walper	V. Ex. Comp. A. Johnson
V. Ex. Comp. A. V. Sedgwick	Ex. Comp. E. C. Pressey
Ex. Comp. W. G. Chapman	Ex. Comp. B. B. A. Allan
Ex. Comp. H. C. Lipsit	Ex. Comp. R. W. Knapman
Ex. Comp. E. S. Gale	Ex. Comp. R. Graves
Ex. Comp. R. Preston	Ex. Comp. J. K. Cameron
Ex. Comp. B. E. Doupe	Ex. Comp. C. Hanna

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9.15 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of dedicating the Chapter Room for Nilestown Chapter, No. 247, Royal Arch Masons of Nilestown, Ontario.

The Ceremony being concluded the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.30 p.m.

Fred. J. Johnson.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

AN ESPECIAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA WAS HELD IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE, MILTON, ONTARIO, ON THURSDAY, 19th DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 1958, A.Inv. 2488.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle ..... Grand Z. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Andrew F. Tannahill ..... as Grand H. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett ..... Grand J. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott ..... District Grand Superintendent
R. Ex. Comp. L. B. Tracey ..... as Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. J. A. Kennedy ..... Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. C. Morgan ..... Grand Principal Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. W. T. Harvey ..... Grand Senior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald Lewis ..... as Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. Ex. Comp. David McLachlan ..... as Grand Outer Guard
V. Ex. Comp. Robert Boddy ..... as Grand Organist

and the following assisting:

R. Ex. Comp. J. H. McClure
R. Ex. Comp. C. F. Ackert
R. Ex. Comp, Allan Mason
R. Ex. Comp. J. A. Atkinson
R. Ex. Comp. John Frey
R. Ex. Comp. John Robinson
R. Ex. Comp. Howard Carr
R. Ex. Comp. A. McKague
V. Ex. Comp. F. Leuty
V. Ex. Comp. W. J. VanNorman
V. Ex. Comp. G. McClure
V. Ex. Comp. E. Spera
Ex. Comp. B. Settle
Ex. Comp. S. J. Collett
Ex. Comp. E. Boden
Ex. Comp. E. Hudson
R. Ex. Comp. Fred Mills
R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland
R. Ex. Comp. A. Martin
R. Ex. Comp. Ben Scott
R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon
R. Ex. Comp. Geo. Sheard
R. Ex. Comp. L. Hewson
R. Ex. Comp. J. Marr
V. Ex. Comp. J. W. Fereday
V. Ex. Comp. G. S. Bender
R. Ex. Comp. John Drysdale
Ex. Comp. W. Brown
Ex. Comp. M. Deller
Ex. Comp. C. Renwick
Ex. Comp. D. Stewart
Ex. Comp. G. Penny

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9.00 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Dedicating the Chapter Room for St. Clair Chapter, No. 75, Royal Arch Masons of Milton, Ontario.

The Ceremony being concluded, the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.15 p.m.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

AN ESPECIAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA WAS HELD IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE, STREETSVILLE, ONTARIO, ON MONDAY, 23rd DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 1958, A.Inv. 2488.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle	Grand Z. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith	Grand H. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett	Grand J. } Grand Council
M. Ex. Comp. Reginald V. Conover	as Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. J. Hyatt McClure	District Grand Superintendent
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson	Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. James A. Kennedy	Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. R. W. Stewart	Grand Principal Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton	Grand Registrar
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis	as Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. Ex. Comp. W. T. Harvery	Grand Senior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. J. S. Bremner	Grand Junior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. David McLachlan	as Grand Outer Guard
Comp. R. Pannabecker	as Grand Organist

and the following assisting:

R. Ex. Comp. Fred Mills	R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott
R. Ex. Comp. L. B. Tracey	R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland
R. Ex. Comp. F. Carl Ackert	R. Ex. Comp. Fred Schytte
R. Ex. Comp. Orton Walker	R. Ex. Comp. H. W. Carr
R. Ex. Comp. Lew Hewson	R. Ex. Comp. George Sheard
V. Ex. Comp. D. J. McKee	V. Ex. Comp. W. M. Creech
V. Ex. Comp. James Silk	V. Ex. Comp. Henry Kesteven
V. Ex. Comp. W. Hyatt	V. Ex. Comp. Andy Nisbet, Sr.
V. Ex. Comp. T. W. Fereday	V. Ex. Comp. G. McClure
V. Ex. Comp. G. McCombe	V. Ex. Comp. R. Boddy
V. Ex. Comp. R. M. Carr	V. Ex. Comp. W. Boag
Ex. Comp. W. Angst	Ex. Comp. H. Kesteven
Ex. Comp. B. Settle	Ex. Comp. C. Renwick
Ex. Comp. M. Gottlieb	Ex. Comp. Geo. Donovan

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 8.45 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Epsecial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating the Chapter Room of Centennial Chapter, No. 260, Royal Arch Masons of Streetsville, Ontario.

The Ceremony being concluded, the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.15 p.m.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

AN ESPECIAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA WAS HELD IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE, ATIKOKAN, ONTARIO, ON SATURDAY, THE 27th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 1958, A.INV. 2488.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle	Grand Z. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. David Harcus	as Grand H. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Samuel Green	as Grand J. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. George Neill	District Grand Superintendent

R. Ex. Comp. T. Love ..... as Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. R. Jamieson ..... as Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis ..... as Grand Director of Ceremonies
R. Ex. Comp. Alex. Barclay ..... as Grand Principal Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. C. Ross ..... as Grand Senior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Alex Bey ..... as Grand Junior Sojourner

and the following assisting:

R. Ex. Comp. H. Stanworth
V. Ex. Comp. W. Shapton
Ex. Comp. M. F. Heinmins
Ex. Comp. C. Binkworth
Ex. Comp. J. Robb
Ex. Comp. D. R. Lanktree
V. Ex. Comp. C. Sundin
Ex. Comp. R. H. Larson
Ex. Comp. M. Pearce
Ex. Comp. Chris. Seal
Ex. Comp. Herman Holbeck

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 3.30 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating the Chapter Room for Quetico Chapter, No. 259, Royal Arch Masons of Atikokan, Ontario.

The Ceremony being concluded, the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 5.30 p.m.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

AN ESPECIAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA WAS HELD IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE, STONEY CREEK, ONTARIO, ON WEDNESDAY, THE 8th DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 1958, A.INV. 2488.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle ..... Grand Z. } Grand Council
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean ..... as Grand H. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett ..... Grand J. } Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott ..... District Grand Superintendent
R. Ex. Comp. F. Carl Ackert ..... as Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. Leslie Colling ..... as Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton ..... Grand Registrar
R. Ex. Comp. John S. Drysdale ..... as Grand Chaplain
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis ..... as Grand Director of Ceremonies
R. Ex. Comp. R. W. Stewart ..... Grand Principal Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. W. T. Havery ..... Grand Senior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Robert Fick ..... as Grand Junior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. A. Jarvis ..... as Grand Organist
Ex. Comp. H. V. Betzner ..... as Grand Outer Guard

and the following assisting:

R. Ex. Comp. W. J. Shaw
R. Ex. Comp. A. Martin
R. Ex. Comp. Charles Pepper
R. Ex. Comp. Howard Carr
R. Ex. Comp. George Sheard
V. Ex. Comp. David McLachlan
V. Ex. Comp. Edwin Harrop
V. Ex. Comp. J. H. Sampson
V. Ex. Comp. W. Pace
Ex. Comp. R. Jackson
Ex. Comp. D. Stewart
Ex. Comp. G. Penny
R. Ex. Comp. John Bell
R. Ex. Comp. J. Atkinson
R. Ex. Comp. Jas. W. Woodland
R. Ex. Comp. Lew Hewson
R. Ex. Comp. L. F. McDougal
V. Ex. Comp. Frank Leuty
V. Ex. Comp. E. Spera
V. Ex. Comp. E. Burke
V. Ex. Comp. M. Spera
Ex. Comp. E. Hudson
Ex. Comp. W. Gould
Ex. Comp. W. L. Smith

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9.00 p.m., when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Dedicating the Chapter Room for McKay Chapter, No. 243, Royal Arch Masons of Stoney Creek, Ontario.

The Ceremony being concluded, the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.30 p.m.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

AN ESPECIAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA WAS HELD IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE, MORRISBURG, ONTARIO, ON MONDAY THE 7th DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 1958, A.INV. 2488.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle	Grand Z. (Grand Council)
R. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith	Grand H. (Grand Council)
R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett	Grand J. (Grand Council)
R. Ex. Comp. Rev. H. W. Pointen	Grand Chaplain
R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd B. Gillespie	as Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. D. H. Robertson	District Grand Superintendent
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson	Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. H. D. Hyndman	as Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. W. H. Edwards	as Grand Principal Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. W. Havery	Grand Senior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Roy Anderson	as Grand Junior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis	Grand Director of Ceremonies
R. Ex. Comp. George Phillips	as Grand Outer Guard

and the following assisting:

R. Ex. Comp. H. E. Meade	R. Ex. Comp. C. B. McDermid
R. Ex. Comp. A. L. McGregory	R. Ex. Comp. C. D. Beckett
R. Ex. Comp. C. A. Markell	V. Ex. Comp. E. D. Berry
V. Ex. Comp. G. P. Marshall	V. Ex. Comp. H. M. McKenney
V. Ex. Comp. C. H. Riddell	Ex. Comp. A. A. Wright
Ex. Comp. W. C. Carson	Ex. Comp. M. M. Matheson
Ex. Comp. Roy Cumming	Ex. Comp. Roy Lindsay
Ex. Comp. M. McEwen	

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9.00 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Dedicating the Chapter Room for St. John's Chapter, No. 112, Royal Arch Masons of Morrisburg, Ontario.

The Ceremony being concluded, the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.30 p.m.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

AN ESPECIAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA WAS HELD IN THE MASONIC TEMPLE, WALLACEBURG, ONTARIO, ON SATURDAY, THE 8th DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 1958, A.INV. 2488.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle	Grand Z. (Grand Council)
R. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith	Grand H. (Grand Council)
R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd B. Gillespie	as Grand J. (Grand Council)
M. Ex. Comp. Alex. G. N. Bradshaw	as Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. N. H. Walford	District Grand Superintendent

R. Ex. Comp. Rev. A. S. H. Cree ..... as Grand Chaplain
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. James A. Kennedy ..... Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis ..... as Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. Ex. Comp. H. E. Campbell ..... as Grand Principal Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Gough ..... as Grand Senior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. E. A. Webber ..... as Grand Junior Sojourner

and the following assisting:

R. Ex. Comp. Frank Pithie
R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Carson
R. Ex. Comp. W. G. Laing
R. Ex. Comp. Chas. Fotheringham
R. Ex. Comp. John M. Burnett
R. Ex. Comp. R. C. Brushett
R. Ex. Comp. A. Ross Bourne
V. Ex. Comp. A. W. Overfield
V. Ex. Comp. Hugh M. Dunlop
Ex. Comp. A. Bruce
Ex. Comp. T. J. Quinton
Ex. Comp. I. E. McConnell
R. Ex. Comp. Harry Grant
R. Ex. Comp. Basil C. Damude
R. Ex. Comp. E. H. Logan
R. Ex. Comp. Harold Porter
R. Ex. Comp. Gordon Bloomfield
R. Ex. Comp. Peter R. Lalonde
R. Ex. Comp. R. A. Willett
V. Ex. Comp. A. B. Cousins
V. Ex. Comp. G. I. Smyth
Ex. Comp. R. C. Overholt
Ex. Comp. W. H. Bates
Ex. Comp. B. Armstrong
Ex. Comp. H. Johnson

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 8.30 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Dedicating the Chapter Room for Sombra Chapter, No. 153, Royal Arch Masons of Wallaceburg, Ontario.

The Ceremony being concluded the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.30 p.m.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

PROCEEDINGS

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA, HELD IN THE ROYAL YORK HOTEL, TORONTO, ONTARIO, ON APRIL 28th AND 29th, 1959.

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle	Grand Z.	Grand Council
R. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith	Grand H.	
R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett	Grand J.	

PAST GRAND Z's

M. Ex. Comps. John M. Burden, Fred W. Dean, Clarence McL. Pitts, Alexander G. N. Bradshaw, John L. House, Melville S. Gooderham.

R. Ex. Comp. Rev. Harold W. Pointen	Grand Chaplain
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean	Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson	Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. James A. Kennedy	Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. Richard A. Stewart	Grand Principal Soj.
R. Ex. Comp. Robert J. Hamilton	Grand Registrar
V. Ex. Comp. W. T. Havery	Grand Senior Soj.
V. Ex. Comp. Robt. Fick	Grand Junior Soj.
V. Ex. Comp. R. D. Adams	Grand D. of C.
V. Ex. Comp. Lance Morrison	Asst. Grand D. of C.
V. Ex. Comp. H. V. Betzner	Grand Pursuivant
V. Ex. Comp. W. J. Stewart	Grand Outer Guard

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

R. Ex. Comp. Norman H. Walford	St. Clair District No. 1
R. Ex. Comp. John W. Gough	London District No. 2
R. Ex. Comp. Ernest A. Webber	Wilson District No. 3
R. Ex. Comp. Louis B. Tracey	Wellington District No. 4
R. Ex. Comp. Frederick Scott	Hamilton District No. 5
R. Ex. Comp. Rev. Alexander K. Campbell	Huron District No. 6
R. Ex. Comp. John A. Bell	Niagara District No. 7
R. Ex. Comp. Frederick F. Mills	Toronto East District No. 8
R. Ex. Comp. J. Hyatt McClure	Toronto West District No. 8A
R. Ex. Comp. Gerald O. Smith	Georgian District No. 9
R. Ex. Comp. Edgar J. Barrowclough	Ontario District No. 10
R. Ex. Comp. Ivan Caldwell	Prince Edward District No. 11
R. Ex. Comp. Donald H. Robertson	St. Lawrence District No. 12
R. Ex. Comp. James R. Howie	Ottawa District No. 13
R. Ex. Comp. George Neill	Algoma District No. 14
R. Ex. Comp. William L. Brown	New Ontario District No. 15
R. Ex. Comp. William S. Lavery	Temiskaming District No. 16

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A Constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the One Hundred and First Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada was opened in Ample Form at ten o'clock a.m.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following distinguished guests were introduced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies V. Ex. Comp. R. D. Adams and assistants:

MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CONNECTICUT
M. Ex. Comp. Pierson E. Dolbeare, Grand High Priest.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MICHIGAN
M. Ex. Comp. Walter D. Strobel, Grand High Priest
M. Ex. Comp. Arthur M. Burke, P.G.H.P. and our Representative

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK ROYAL ARCH MASONS
M. Ex. Comp. A. M. Nielsen, Grand High Priest
M. Ex. Comp. George A. Lambert, P.G.H.P. and Grand Secretary
M. Ex. Comp. Wright J. Burley, P.G.H.P.
R. Ex. Comp. Clifford A. McDonald, our Grand Representative
R. Ex. Comp. David H. McCracken

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF OHIO
R. Ex. Comp. Homer Trantham, Grand King, representing M. Ex. Comp. Oliver H. Ormiston, Grand High Priest
R. Ex. Comp. Ralph W. Smith, Grand Secretary
M. Ex. Comp. James A. Gorham, P.G.H.P. and our Grand Representative

THE GRAND HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF PENNSYLVANIA
Comp. John R. Asher, M. Ex. Grand High Priest
Comp. Arthur L. Miller, P.M.Ex.G.H.P., and our Grand Representative
Comp. John D. Davis, M. Ex. Grand Royal Arch Captain

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
M. Ex. Comp. Harold B. Woodard, Grand High Priest
Ex. Comp. John Blease, Grand Master Third Veil
Ex. Comp. John A. Whorf, P.H.P.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS IN VIRGINIA
M. Ex. Comp. C. C. Helms, Grand High Priest

GRAND COUNCIL OF THE ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD OF ONTARIO
R. Ex. Comp. Charles Fotheringham, M. Ex. Grand President

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS OF ONTARIO
V. Ex. Comp. Samuel J. Sword, M. Ill. Grand Master

SOVEREIGN GREAT PRIORY OF CANADA KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
R. Ex. Comp. Joseph W. Carson, Deputy Grand Master, representing M. Ex. Comp. Lorne Johnson, Supreme Grand Master

MASONIC AND MILITARY ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF THE RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE
R. Ex. Comp. Allen C. Mason, Grand Sovereign

SUPREME COUNCIL 33° ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY FOR THE DOMINION OF CANADA
M. Ex. Comp. C. M. Pitts, Past Sovereign Grand Commander

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA
M. Ex. Comp. Roy A. Carruthers, Grand Z.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF NOVA SCOTIA WITH JURISDICTION OVER NOVA SCOTIA, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND AND NEWFOUNDLAND
M. Ex. Comp. B. R. Taylor, Grand High Priest

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF CANADA IN PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
M. Wor. Bro. and R. Ex. Comp. Harry L. Martyn, Grand Master
R. Wor. Bro. and Comp. Ewart G. Dixon, Grand Secretary

Most Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, Grand Z., extended a warm, friendly, and cordial welcome to all of his guests. He also announced to all Royal Arch Masons, in good standing, and properly vouched for, a warm welcome during the Convocation.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

By the Grand Chaplain, R. Ex. Comp. Rev. Harold W. Pointen

The delegates joined in singing the hymn "O God Our Help in Ages Past", "God Save the Queen" and "My County 'Tis of Thee".

INVOCATION

Almighty and Eternal God, we bow before Thy Divine Majesty, adoring Thee the Lord of heaven and earth, and acknowledging Thee as the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

We beseech Thee to grant unto us Thy blessing and approbation at the beginning of this Post-Centennial Convocation of our Grand Chapter.

Enlighten our minds with Thy Divine Wisdom; animate our hearts with Thy Divine Presence; conform our wills in obedience to Thy Divine Precepts, and strengthen the bond of our fraternity with the cord of Thy Divine Love.

So rule and govern us, O God, by Thy Divine Spirit, that our labours thus commenced in order, be conducted in peace, and closed in harmony, to the honour and glory of Thy Ineffable and Holy Name. Amen.

SELECTION FROM THE VOLUME OF THE SACRED LAW

The Book of Ecclesiasticus Chapter 44: 1-15

Let us now praise famous men: and our fathers that begat us.

The Lord hath wrought great glory by them: through His great power from the beginning.

Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms, men renowned for their power: giving counsel by their understanding and declaring prophecies.

Leaders of the people by their knowledge of learning meet for the people: wise and eloquent in their instructions.

Such as found out musical tunes: and recited verses in writing:

Rich men furnished with ability: living peaceably in their habitation.

All these were honoured in their generations, and were the glory of their times: There be of them that have left a name behind them that their praises might be reported.

And some there be which have no memorial: Who had perished as though they had never been.

And are become as though they had never been born: and their children after them.

But these were mericiful men: whose righteousness hath not been forgotten.

With their seed shall continually remain a good inheritance: their children are within the covenant.

Their seed standeth fast: and their children for their sakes.

Their seed shall remain for ever: and their glory shall not be blotted out.

Their bodies are buried in peace: but their name liveth for evermore.

The people shall tell of their wisdom: and the congregation will show forth their praise.

MEMORIAL PRAYER

Almighty and Eternal God, before whom the generations rise and pass away, and with whom do live the spirits of the just made perfect, we render Thee humble and hearty thanks for all Companions who have departed this life since we last met in our Annual Convocation.

With grateful hearts, we call to remembrance their fellowship of other days. For their qualities of mind and heart; for their fidelity in daily toil; for their steadfastness in Thy faith and obedience to Thy Holy Precepts; for their witness to the truth, and for all the cherished memories they have bequeathed to us, we give Thee hearty thanks, O Thou Most High.

Almighty God, who in Thy grace and Wisdom didst give us the Companions of our hearts, and unite them to us with the bonds of a deep affection; comfort, we beseech Thee, all who bear the pain of separation from those who have been called into the Light Eternal, and into the Life Immortal.

Let the memory of their departed Companions, strengthen their faith, ensure their hope, and affirm their love. Grant them grace to face the coming days in the certain knowledge, that in Thy Infinite Wisdom and Mercy, all things are working together for good, and for the fulfillment of Thy Eternal Plan and Purpose in their lives.

And unto us, O Eternal God, to whom Thou hast extended a continuance of days, grant us fortitude to walk in the way of Thy Divine Commandments, and resolution to live in the light of Thy favor; that at the end of the pilgrimage of this mortal life, we may be found worthy of exaltation in the Grand Chapter Above.

Hear and receive our prayer, Omniscient Father, for unto Thee alone do we ascribe all honour, glory, dominion and power, now and for evermore. Amen.

Hymn: "Abide With Me"

A Period of Silence

PRESENTATION OF LIVING PAST GRAND Z's

The Grand Z., Most Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, requested the Grand Director of Ceremonies, V. Ex. Comp. R. D. Adams, to present the living Past Grand Z's. The following were present:

M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Z.C., Grand Z., 1943-1944.
M. Ex. Comp. Frederick W. Dean, Grand Z., 1947-1948.
M. Ex. Comp. Clarence McL. Pitts, Grand Z., 1949-1950.
M. Ex. Comp. Alexander G. N. Bradshaw, Grand Z., 1951-1952.
M. Ex. Comp. John L. House, Grand Z., 1955-1956.
M. Ex. Comp. Melville S. Gooderham, Hon. Grand Z., 1957.

M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle extended a very sincere and cordial welcome to the Past Grand Z's and Grand Honours were accorded.

M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden, the Dean of the Past Grand Z's, spoke on behalf of the Grand Z's.

TORONTO DISTRICTS EXTEND WELCOME

THE 101st ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA

April 27, 28 and 29, 1959

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Maurice Arthur Searle, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, distinguished guests from sister jurisdictions in Canada and the United States, and the representatives from other Masonic orders, the Companions of Toronto Districts Nos. 8 and 8A take pleasure in bidding you welcome and conveying to you our fraternal greetings on this the 101st Annual Convocation of Royal Arch Masons.

Excellent Sir:

Your term of office as Grand Z. will shortly be completed, but before the expiration of your duties, the Principals and Companions of the twenty-eight Chapters of the two Toronto Districts desire to extend to you Most Excellent Sir, our sincere thanks and appreciation for your untiring and ceaseless devotion to Royal Arch Masonry during your two years of office, which coupled with the "assistance, light and knowledge", so freely given at all times has earned for you the admiration, esteem and respect of all the Companions, not only of the Toronto Districts, but throughout the entire jurisdiction, and even to the Royal Arch Masons in the country to the south of us.

Your leadership and your gracious attitude has been, and will continue to be, an inspiration to all Royal Arch Masons.

We are happy and honoured to have served under you for the past two years, and it is our fervent wish that the Great Jehovah will spare you for many more years to serve Capitular Masonry.

Excellent Sir:

To show our sincere affection for you, we ask you to accept on behalf of all the Companions of the twenty-eight Chapters this token of our remembrance and appreciation.

Presented on behalf of the Royal Arch Chapters of Toronto Districts, Nos. 8 and 8A.

DISTRICT NO. 8

1958	1959	
R. E. CAIN	H. A. SAYERS	St. Andrew and St. John, No. 4
S. SLEESMAN	J. KEILLOR	King Solomon's, No. 8
R. A. C. WELLS	A. H. GRAY	York, No. 62
D. NEWBY	W. JARMAY	St. Paul's, No. 65
A. J. MOXON	H. F. MYERS	Orient, No. 79
C. GOLDSTONE	C. G. ARMSTRONG	Succoth, No. 135
T. R. TOMPKINS	B. F. FORWARD	The St. Patrick, No. 145
W. L. BROWN	W. E. BATH	The Beaches, No. 163
G. A. GARDNER	D. E. ALLEN	Victoria, No. 205
J. J. MEHAFFEY	A. O. MURRAY	St. Albans, No. 217
C. F. CARTER	F. ALLEY	Beaver, No. 225
G. M. DONOVAN	G. H. BUNT	Aurora, No. 235
J. BUCKINGHAM	O. R. ROBERTS	University, No. 241
C. S. FEASBY	C. A. VANZANT	Tyrian, No. 258

F. F. MILLS
Grand Superintendent,
Toronto, No. 8

E. W. BATH
Secretary

DISTRICT NO. 8A

1958	1959	
G. W. CLEVERDON	M. HOLDITCH	Occident, No. 77
J. SHORT	H. PLUNKETT	Toronto Antiquity, No. 91
A. WATSON	B. W. SPENCER	Shekinah, No. 138
G. COTTON	J. McFARLANE	Peel, No. 195
M. GOTTLIEB	S. S. BEDERMAN	Mount Sinai, No. 212
G. W. OSTRANDER	W. B. ANGST	Mimico, No. 215
H. L. KESTEVEN	C. S. IBBOTSON	Ulster, No. 219
J. A. CHRISTENSON	A. R. McDOUGALL	Lebanon, No. 220
J. W. ARNOLD	K. DENISON	Port Credit, No. 230
B. SETTLE	A. W. JOHNSON	The St. Clair, No. 231
E. A. MAYES	A. G. SULLIVAN	King Cyrus, No. 232
B. C. ALFORD	B. C. ALFORD	Oakwood, No. 233
J. BREMNER	D. BREMNER	Humber, No. 246
W. A. McKAGUE	J. A. CHRISTENSON	Centennial, No. 260

J. H. McCLURE
Grand Superintendent,
Toronto, No. 8A

W. T. SANDERSON
Secretary

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES, 1958

The Grand Scribe E. commenced reading the minutes of the Proceedings of the One Hundredth Annual Convocation, held in the City of Toronto, when it was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett.

Resolved—"That as the Proceedings of the last Annual Convocation, held Tuesday and Wednesday, April 28 and 29, 1958, have been printed and copies thereof sent to all the Chapters in this Jurisdiction, the recorded Minutes be considered as read, and the same is now confirmed."

ORDER OF BUSINESS

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, and seconded by R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, and—

Resolved—"That the Order of Business of this Grand Convocation be changed at the discretion of the Grand Z."

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland, Chairman of the Credentials Committee reported that there are 159 Warranted Chapters on the Rolls of Grand Chapter of which Chapters were represented by the following:

Chapter

No. 1—B. Sutherland, H.; H. J. Milne, T. N. Clarke, C. H. Hall, P.Z.'s.
No. 2—J. Dewar, Z.; E. M. Marshall, P.Z.
No. 3—R. Coon, Z.; G. Phipps, J.; E. Gale, W. H. Parker, J. W. Gough, H. T. Down, S. H. Taylor, P.Z.'s.
No. 4—H. T. Sayers, Z.; L. G. Jackson, V. L. Mutton, H. J. McCaw, R. Deardon, R. E. Cain, R. N. McElhinney, A. A. Kitchen, P.Z.'s.
No. 5—J. A. Kennedy, Proxy; D. Smith, A. Cavanagh, A. W. Ayre, P.Z.'s.
No. 6—J. Brownlie, Z.; H. W. Hewett, F. Scott, P.Z.'s.
No. 7—H. Hines, Z.; V. H. Graves, H. E. Payne, H. T Adams, J. L. Diamond, P.Z.'s.
No. 8—J. Keillor, Z.; R. Willmot, H.; W. H. King, S. F. Hutchinson, A. Ottis, E. M. Woolcock, A. L. Tinker, W. Holywell, P.Z.'s.
No. 15—L. C. Ewener, Z.; R. E. Strain, J. H. Teasell, R. A. Hamilton, H. R. Marriott, A. W. Jordan, P.Z.'s
No. 16—C. Vickers, Z.; L. B. Gillespie, E. A. Shane, P.Z.
No. 18—D. A. Ward, Z.; R. J. Lawrence, H.; R B. Town, J.; A. Wishart, J. Hibner, G. L. Nutt, A. E. Thurlow, P.Z.'s
No. 19—G. F. Bryant, H.; J. Dickie, F. B. Lottridge, C. M. Porter, W. S. Cooling, P.Z.'s.
No. 20—C. R. Simpson, H.; R. W. E. McFadden, A. MacGregor, S. B. O. Valentine, E. L. Townson, P.Z.'s.
No. 22—K. M. Laushway, J.; J. C. Sim, G. R. Drummond, P.Z.'s.
No. 23—L. O'Connor, Z.
No. 24—F. S. Wolfe, J.; R. H. Davies, J. Barr, P.Z.'s.
No. 26—W. Turton, Z.; C. H. Kinnear, N. M. Sprague, H. Burke, P.Z.'s.
No. 28—W. E. McKinstry, Z.; G. H. Taylor, H.; W. F. Boorman, J.; N. W. Purdy, H. O. Flintoff, P.Z.'s.
No. 29—W. O. Farr, Proxy; J. E. Yorom, D. R. Murphy, A. Rigg, P.Z.'s.
No. 30—C. E. Laithwaite, Z.; W. H. Roope, P.Z.
No. 31—F. R. Greatrix, Jr. Z.; W. T. Havery, D. Huff, P.Z.'s.
No. 32—F. C. Ackert, Proxy; D. J. Marriott, J. Wepers, T. Forrester, T. W. Rutherford, A. G. Malcolm, P.Z.'s.
No. 34—G. A. R. Cowan, H.; R. A. Stewart, G. O. Smith, F. W. Churchill, P.Z.'s.
No. 35—L. F. Campbell, Z.; J. E. Sandison, H.; S. E. Smith, J.
No. 36—W. E. Bannon, Z.; R. Mathews, H.; J. W. Morrison, J.; J. E. Girven, E. W. Edmondson, B. H. Pammett, P.Z.'s.

No. 37—E. J. McKeever, Z.; W. J. B. Jarvis, H.; C. P. McElroy, E. J. Barrowclough, W. H. Meldrum, P.Z.'s.

No. 40—J. A. Robertson, Proxy; C. E. Morgan, W. J. Van Norman, P.Z.'s

No. 41—H. R. Nagle, Proxy; E. A. Webber, P. Pedolin, P.Z.'s.

No. 44—A. V. Roy, P.Z.

No. 46—H. Salvadge, Z.,; K. B. Clysdale, H.; R. Bradford, N. V. Johnston, J. W. Durr, D. C. White, F. H. May, H. Alberta, A. K. Campbell, P.Z.'s

No. 47—G. Ford, Z.

No. 48—J. A. Kernaghan, Z.; H. Rawcliffe, H.; A. W. Robertson, J.; W. Baker, A. Bowman, F. L. Searancke, W. L. Andrews, P.Z.'s

No. 54—W. Cowie, Z.

No. 55—G. E. Irvine, Z.; J. C. Gordon, H.; W. E. Brown, C. A. Larson, F. L. Thomson, P.Z.'s.

No. 56—J. R. Garen, H.; J. G. Cruickshank, P.Z.

No. 59—J. G. Ruston, Proxy P.Z.

No. 62—J. Hood, J.; S. H. B. Tonkin, W. J. Grieson, C. M. Platten, D. B. Young, J. Sheild, P.Z.'s.

No. 63—H. J. Norman, Z.; G. S. Emerson, H.; M. W. McGaw, P.Z.'s.

No. 65—H. G. Robb, Proxy; M. S. Gooderham, C. B. Parker, H. B. Lane, P.Z.'s.

No. 67—F. B. Johnson, Z.; D. A. Cox, J. F. Edwards, A. McGugan, A. R. Smith, L. E. Morphy, P.Z.'s.

No. 68—G. J. Purcell, Proxy, P.Z.

No. 69—A. Jarvis, proxy; H. V. Betzner, P.Z.'s.

No. 71—T. Weaver, Z.; L. Matlack, H.; B. Smith, N. H. Walford, P.Z.'s.

No. 72—E. J. Chard, Z.; J. S. Whitehead, I. Caldwell, W. Warren, H. Hagerman, P.Z.'s.

No. 73—A. Overfield, Z.; P. L. Lalonde, P.Z.

No. 75—N. A. McPhail, Z.; J. C. Cunningham, E. Harrop, R. J. Hamilton, P.Z.'s.

No. 76—C. H. Sheppard, Proxy; G. E. French, J. H. Hughes, C. L. Dill, P.Z.'s.

No. 77—M. Holditch, Z.; P. Helm, H.; C. Aikins, J.; A. Green, S. E. Solley, J. M. Burden, C. W. Emmett, H. P. Hopkinson, W. Shearer, D. Falconer, E. K. Hogaboom, F. P. Wratten, J. A. Prince, P.Z.'s.

No. 78—C. A. McGregor, Z.; W. Wein, H.; R. Ratz, P.Z.

No. 79—H. F. Myers, Z.; L. Hyatt, H.; A. O'Halloran, J.; A. H. Jones, L. L. Querie, A. O. Cook, J. A. Hearn, P.Z.'s

No. 80—H. Tootill, Z.; W. E. Tregenza, G. I. Smyth, P.Z.'s.

No. 81—H. P. Grant, Proxy; B. Damude, P.Z.

No. 82—W. E. Shaw, Z.; G. Neill, M. W. Pearce, F. S. Foot, P.Z.'s

No. 83—W. J. McCall, Z.; W. Gillespie, H.; A. W. Gillespie, D. Van Norman, P.Z.'s.

No. 84—J. Mair, Z.; T. Burke, J. McLean, E. S. Gauley, P.Z.'s.

No. 91—H. Plunkett, Z.; G. Wood, H.; W. Dixon, J.; C. Howes, W. J. Stewart, A. F. Tannahill, H. J. Nelson, A. Geary, J. Bailey, J. Short, P.Z.'s.

No. 94—G. K. Johnson, Z.; C. C. Stewart, J.; M. P. Littner, G. McCombe, P.Z.'s.

No. 95—W. G. Mahaffy, Z.; W. McKee, P.Z.

No. 102—P. G. Connolly, Z.; P. S. Jannison, W. F. Lett, F. W. Colloton, P.Z.'s.

No. 103—A. S. Haley, Proxy; W. L. Brown, P.Z.

No. 104—W. S. Thomson, H.; S. Portch, P.Z.

No. 110—H. S. Ewing, Proxy, P.Z.

No. 112—D. H. Robertson, P.Z.
No. 113—R. F. Atchison, Z.; A. Mitchell, G. E. McCutcheon, P.Z.'s
No. 114—R. F. Fraser, P.Z.
No. 115—C. W. Spicer, Z.; R. W. McKenzie, H.; J. E. Reid, J.
No. 116—W. H. Edwards, Z.; A. A. Wright, M. P. Morris, P.Z.'s.
No. 117—G. H. Shannon, Proxy; A. C. Mason, A. Shoemaker, W. N. Hemphill, P.Z.'s.
No. 119—A. Cresswell, Z.; D. A. Robinson, H.; F. Hilton, J.; A. S. H. Cree, G. Bloomfield, R. A. Willett, J. A. McIntyre, P.Z.'s.
No. 129—S. Earl, Z.; R. F. Robinson, H.; H. Carter, J.; E. W. Brunk, I. Benson, J. Isaac, P.Z.'s.
No. 130—W. Gregg, Z.; J. Horton, F. Wrightson, P.Z.'s.
No. 131—L. MacKenzie, Z.; P. Spears, H.; R. Keene, J.; G. Bell, P.Z.
No. 133—J. J. Carpenter, Proxy; G. A. Phillips, C. E. Armstrong, P.Z.'s.
No. 134—L. Parliament, Z.; L. E. Jackson, P.Z.
No. 135—C. G. Armstrong, Z.; H. V. Watson, P.Z.
No. 138—B. W. Spencer, Z.; P. James, H.; H. W. Clark, J.; E. H. Hughes, R. Ackerman, H. Huggins, C. E. Wells, E. E. Dobson, J. Benson, H. Hughes, J. Spencer, A. S. Watson, P.Z.'s.
No. 140—W. S. Shaver, Z.; J. E. Forester, H.; A. E. Knox, J.; D. Harris, P.Z.
No. 143—C. E. Blair, P.Z.
No. 144—J. E. Soloman, Z.; K. A. McQuoid, P.Z.
No. 145—B. F. Forward, Z.; I. C. Skudder, H.; J. R. Legacy, T. R. Tompkins, E. E. Reid, R. H. Dee, D. P. Collins, W. E. Pomroy, M. A. Searle, R. J. Lewis, H. G. Scott, W. J. Johnston, R. L. Carr, L. B. Morrison, A. J. Martin, C. L. Ford, P.Z.
No. 146—O. Thompson, Z.; B. Hustings, H.; H. McDermitt, J.; S. J. Coghlin, W. H. Sargent, S. L. Bartza, D. L. Chapman, M. G. Beatty, F. Hay, R. Martin, J. A. Wilson, F. Day, P.Z.'s.
No. 147—R. McIntosh, Z.; R. Simpson, H.; C. W. Edmond, J.; K. Cameron, W. A. Porteous, A. E. McKim, W. B. Anderson, T. J. Falkeld, J. Boyle, P.Z.'s.
No. 148—D. J. McIntosh, Proxy, P.Z.
No. 150—J. B. Carson, Z.; W. E. Boyle, J.; J. N. Duffy, A. G. N. Bradshaw, J. W. Carson, J. Bell, D. A. McDonald, M. A. Doupe.
No. 151—L. W. Brumm, Z.; H. T. Hale, H.; J. E. Brown, J.
No. 152—I. W. Smith, P.Z.
No. 153—J. Walton, Z.; J. Burnett, E. K. Rupert, K. R. Colwell, P.Z.'s
No. 155—J. Cesar, Z.; A. S. Martin, P.Z.
No. 161—E. T. Nayler, prozy; T. Lloyd, J. Bristol, P.Z.'s.
No. 163—W. E. Bath, Z.; D. C. Armstrong, H.; E. R. Ancell, J.; T. Middleton, W. L. Brown, A. J. Stringer, F. F. Mills, E. W. Bath, P.Z.'s.
No. 164—A. Weekes, Z.
No. 167—T. R. Nesbitt, Z.; C. P. Eagles, K. E. Morrison, J. R. Parrott, P.Z.'s.
No. 168—W. Dawson, Z.; J. McMullen, J.; W. H. Brady, T. H. Burgis, H. Pierce, P.Z.'s.
No. 169—W. A. Bowman, Z.; W. S. Lavery, P.Z.
No. 175—F. C. Whisken, Z.; W. H. Holcombe, H.; F. W. Dean, B. C. Tebbs, W. B. Duncan, D. S. Stephens, C. R. Smith, J. R. Dunbar, E. Hudson, P.Z.'s.
No. 184—J. Jones, Z.; J. A. Bell, C. S. Boyd, H. S. Winkworth, H. W. Stouffer.
No. 195—J. Archdekin, J.; H. Spratt, Proxy; H. McClure, E. A. Hay, P.Z.'s.
No. 198—J. W. Davies, Z.; B. C. Lamble, H. W. Gill, P.Z.'s.
No. 205—H. Sparks, Proxy, P.Z.

No. 210—C. P. Laushway, Z.; H. T. C. Humphries, P.Z.

No. 212—S. S. Bederman, Z.; L. Ritter, H.; A. Fox, S. Perlman, S. J. Sword, P.Z.'s.

No. 214—T. Smith, Proxy; A. A. Campbell, W. J. Campbell, K. Cameron, P.Z.'s.

No. 215—W. B. Angst, Z.; T. B. Rogers, P.Z.

No. 217—A. O. Murray, Z.; A. H. Baldwin, J.; J. Turnbull, J. S. Mehaffey, J. L. House, G. W. McRae, J. A. Mackie, J. A. Burton, H. A. F. Schytte, G. Hosang, H. E. Walker, J. A. Spencer, C. R. Kincaid, W. J. Webber, W. J. Raeburn, W. Wyllie, J. J. Mehaffey, P.Z.'s.

No. 219—C. B. Ibbotson, Z.; A. D. Napier, H.; H. L. Kesteven, H. C. Kesteven, W. H. Hiett, R. A. Boddy, J. L. Hewson, J. W. McCulla, D. S. MacLachlan, J. S. Bremner, L. J. Colling, G. Anthony, G. R. Sheard, L. C. Pilson, P.Z.'s.

No. 220—A. R. McDougall, Z.; J. A. Christenson, J. A. Evans, W. H. Carr, W. F. Leuty, W. A. McKague, A. E. Sharpe, G. H. Horner, J. B. Richardson, A. R. Jefferson, P.Z.'s

No. 221—H. C. F. Blohm, Z.; J. N. Edwards, H.; J. E. Evans, L. Armstrong, P. Ramage, P.Z.'s.

No. 222—A. E. Mulligan, Z.; W. C. Carson, J. R. Howie, C. M. Pitts, J. W. Tuck, H. T. C. Humphries, A. G. Humphries, E. D. Berry, H. W. Pointen, P.Z.'s.

No. 223—J. C. Kincade, proxy; A. F. Righton, P.Z.

No. 224—J. H. Creasey, Z.; J. S. Drysdale, J. A. Atkinson, W. Button, W. Miller, P.Z.'s.

No. 225—F. Alley, Z.; J. McFadden, J.; J. Alcorn, A. Spalding, J. C. Day, E. Woodstock, W. Pendleton, R. Wilson, J. Winton, J. Broadfoot, F. H. Carter, C. L. Carter, S. W. Alexander, J. Gray, F. Welham, C. F. Carter, P.Z.'s.

No. 226—L. V. Wood, Proxy, P.Z.

No. 227—J. Brown, Z.; R. H. Godden, H.; F. Chapman, M. R. Anderson, R. D. Adams, B. H. Smith, L. F. Walker, J. Williams, C. McMullen, P.Z.'s.

No. 230—K. Dennison, Z.; J. I. Parke, H.; J. Wilton, J.; R. Young, C. M. Lobban, P.Z.'s.

No. 231—A. W. Johnson, Z.; J. M. Yates, H.; A. Settle, J.; B. Settle, A. E. Johnson, H. L. Martyn, E. Sager, E. C. Shunk, J. E. Code, L. A. Stiver, D. McM. Kerr, D. S. Moncrieff, E. C. Hanson, H. Edmondson, D. Calder, J. R. Corner, P.Z.'s.

No. 232—R. Fick, Proxy; W. W. Lester, P.Z.

No. 233—B. Alford, Z.; B. Taylor, H.; E. C. Burrell, J.; W. Burton, W. E. Gardner, J. Burns, A. McD. Hannah, C. W. Humphreys, C. E. McClocklin, C. F. Bolton, E. D. Sproule, E. Mealing, P.Z.'s.

No. 234—I. G. Noble, Z.; J. T. Armstrong, H.; S. Penrice, J.; J. Addy, F. Wilson, C. R. Renwick, L. Tracey, P.Z.'s.

No. 235—W. F. Boaks, A. C. Welk, P.Z.'s.

No. 236—J. Aldridge, Z.; K. Lang, H.; F. Brown, E. C. Reid, E. Burke, W. Williamson, P.Z.'s.

No. 238—H. C. Fleming, Z.; W. A. Thomson, H.; F. S. Archibald, C. Hanna, B. S. Scott, W. G. Chapman, E. W. Mitchell, L. E. Fortner, W. L. Davies, P.Z.'s.

No. 239—R. Nudds, Z.; D. Payne, H.; L. Fisher, J.

No. 240—J. N. Davis, Proxy, P.Z.

No. 241—O. R. Roberts, Z.; J. E. Young, H.; E. Pickles, V. Voden, H. S. Biggs, P. W. Rogers, P.Z.'s.

No. 242—D. B. Allan, Proxy, P.Z.

No. 243—H. Warden, Z.; R. Deauberry, H.; E. T. Spera, E. Boden, H. Boden, E. H. Brennan, P.Z.'s.

No. 245—W. Cory, Proxy, P.Z.
No. 246—D. Bremner, Z.; H. Banks, H.; L. Harron, J.; F. S. Fordham, H. J. Smith, A. F. Nisbet Sr., A. F. Nisbet Jr., R. H. Taylor, J. R. Johnson, H. E. Harrison, R. Cruise, J. Bremner, D. J. McLean, P.Z.'s.
No. 247—G. Sleightholm, Z.; M. Landsdell, L. Gent, P.Z.'s.
No. 249—E. F. R. Osborne, Z.; B. Tink, H.; C. J. Allin, J. Baker, E. H. Brown, W. R. Strike, L. W. Dippell, H. Ferguson, H. G. Freeman, R. E. Logan, N. A. Wilkins, W. H. Gibson, J. H. Jose, P.Z.'s.
No. 250—L. Allan, Z.; A. Graham, L. Dowdell, P.Z.'s.
No. 251—G. Harris, Z.; H. S. Rood, R. A. Bilbrough, R. Pinegar, P.Z.'s.
No. 252—J. MacBeth, Z.; J. Facer, J.; J. H. Coleman, F. P. MacFarlane, J. D. Van Horne, P.Z.'s.
No. 253—E. Hind, W. Butler, L. Challand, H. V. Ryerse, A. E. Williamson, P.Z.'s.
No. 254—C. Fotheringham, J. A. Cox, P.Z.'s.
No. 255—R. Hart, Z.; M. A. L. Hicks, J.
No. 256—F. J. Johnson, Proxy, P.Z.
No. 258—C. S. Feasby, Proxy, R. Manewell, P.Z.
No. 259—G. Neill, Proxy, P.Z.
No. 260—J. A. Christenson, Z.; A. R. McDougall, H.; D. S. MacLachlan, J.; W. F. Leuty, W. H. Carr, W. A. McKague, P.Z.'s.

The following 19 Chapters were not represented:

Manitou, No. 27; Excelsior, No. 45; Bruce, No. 53; King Hiram, No. 57; Pembroke, No. 58; Granite, No. 61; Willson, No. 64; Malloch, No. 66; Beaver, No. 74; MacNabb, No. 88; Golden, No. 90; Leeds, No. 132; Atwood, No. 149; Klondike, No. 154; Cobalt, No. 203; Northern Lights, No. 213; Prince Edward, No. 218; Dochert, No. 248; Espanola, No. 257.

140 Chapters represented.
19 Chapters not represented.

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There were 644 Registered Delegates having a total vote of 863.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

JAMES W. WOODLAND, Chairman.
JOSEPH BENSON, Vice-Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland and:—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Credentials be received and adopted.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Most Excellent, the Grand Z. directed the Grand Scribe E. to call the roll of Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions, when they assembled before the Altar. The following Grand Representatives answered their names:

R. Ex. Comp.	R. N. McElhinney, Toronto	Alabama
V. " "	P. W. Rogers, Toronto	Arizona
R. " "	G. H. Coleman, Sarnia	Arkansas
R. " "	J. A. Mackie, Toronto	British Columbia
R. " "	D. Calder, Toronto	California
R. " "	C. B. Parker, Toronto	Colorada
R. " "	H. J. Milne, Kingston	Connecticut
R. " "	W. J. Grierson, Toronto	Delaware
R. " "	B. H. Smith, Belleville	District of Columbia
M. " "	M. S. Gooderham, Toronto	Florida
R. " "	J. W. Woodland, Toronto	Illinois
R. " "	A. L. Tinker, Toronto	Indiana

R.	"	"	R. W. McFadden, Brantford	Ireland
R.	"	"	Rev. A. S. H. Cree, Leamington	Kentucky
R.	"	"	J. Carson, London	Louisiana
R.	"	"	M. R. Anderson, Belleville	Maine
R.	"	"	P. S. Jannison, Sault Ste. Marie	Manitoba
V.	"	"	A. J. Stringer, Toronto	Massachusettes
M.	"	"	F. W. Dean, Hamilton	Michigan
R.	"	"	F. C. Ackert, Galt	Minnesota
R.	"	"	H. T. C. Humphries, Ottawa	Mississippi
R.	"	"	C. P. Eagles, Midland	Missouri
R.	"	"	D. Harcus, Fort William	Montana
R.	"	"	A. Cavanagh, London	New Brunswick
R.	"	"	N. M. Sprague, Trenton	New Hampshire
R.	"	"	G. H. Shannon, Kitchener	New Jersey
R.	"	"	F. J. Johnson, Long Branch	New South Wales
M.	"	"	J. M. Burden, Toronto	New York
R.	"	"	J. A. Evans, Toronto	New Zealand
R.	"	"	B. S. Scott, London	North Carolina
R.	"	"	L. Hewson, Toronto	North Dakota
M.	"	"	C. M. Pitts, Ottawa	Nova Scotia
M.	"	"	A. G. N. Bradshaw, London	Ohio
R.	"	"	A. F. Tannahill, Toronto	Oklahoma
R.	"	"	W. E. Tregenza, Windsor	Oregon
M.	"	"	J. L. House, Toronto	Pennsylvania
R.	"	"	C. W. Emmett, Port Credit	Philippines
M.	"	"	M. A. Searle, Toronto	Quebec
R.	"	"	E. H. Brennan, Leamington	Rhode Island
R.	"	"	J. E. Girven, Peterborough	Saskatchewan
V.	"	"	A. McD. Hannah, Toronto	Scotland
R.	"	"	C. Fotheringham, Tillsonburg	Tennessee
R.	"	"	A. C. Mason, Kitchener	Texas
R.	"	"	L. B. Gillespie, Ottawa	Utah
R.	"	"	C. Sheppard, Niagara Falls	Vermont
V.	"	"	A. Wishart, Woodstock	Victoria
R.	"	"	R. J. Lewis, Toronto	Washington
R.	"	"	F. Schytte, Toronto	West Virginia
R.	"	"	S. Perlman, Toronto	Wisconsin

M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle extended a warm welcome to the Representatives and asked them to keep in contact with their respective Grand Chapters, and strengthen the fraternal bonds of union with our Sister Jurisdictions. Grand Honors were given and R. Ex. Comp. C. P. Eagles spoke on behalf of the Representatives.

GRAND Z'S. ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Most Excellent, The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada.
My Companions:

It is again my great privilege to extend to you a hearty and fraternal welcome to this, our ONE HUNDRED and FIRST SESSION of GRAND CHAPTER, and the first Convocation of our SECOND CENTURY.

While we are forcibly reminded of the rapid passing of time, yet with grateful thanks to the Great Jehovah, all will recall the Centennial celebration held one year ago. This memorable milestone in the history of our Grand Chapter added much to its lustre and prestige, but above all, brought with it a fuller appreciation of our priceless heritage, the responsibilities we must assume as Companions of our time-honoured institution, and that we must measure up to the challenge of an ever beckoning future. That the Centennial left its impression on those who were present is, I suggest, borne out by the following excerpt from the report made by Most Ex. Comp. Rt. Hon. the Earl of Galloway, L.L., J.P., First Grand Principal of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland, to his Grand Chapter:

> "Of the great hospitality and kindness of our Canadian Companions, I cannot speak too highly. It was an inspiration to us to be with them and to meet so many distinguished Masons and to share our views and our experiences. We marvelled at the efficiency of the Companions who had organised these Centennial celebrations and their untiring efforts to entertain their guests."

We rejoice that we are again honoured with the presence of Most Wor. Bro. and Rt. Ex. Comp. Harry L. Martyn, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. We would be exceedingly remiss if we failed to express to him our thanks and appreciation for the outstanding contribution he has made during the period he has been our Grand Master. We feel sure that when his term expires in July next, he will, rightfully, experience the great joy of achievement. This Grand Chapter assures continued allegiance and loyalty to him and Grand Lodge. We are delighted that he is accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. and Companion Ewart G. Dixon, M.C., Q.C., whose friendly advice and guidance have been available, and of immeasureable value, at all times, and in conveying to him the thanks of this

Grand Chapter I also do so in a personal manner as the beneficiary of his kindness.

We warmly welcome the Grand First Principals, of their representatives, of our sister jurisdications in Canada, and it is my privilege also to again extend cordial greetings to the Grand High Priests, or their representatives, and others from various Grand jurisdictions of the United States. Their visitations with us exemplify the happy and valuable relationship which have been formed and cemented throughout the years.

We also extend a warm fraternal welcome to other Masonic bodies, namely, the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; Sovereign Great Priory Knights Templar of Canada; the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, Cryptic Rite: the Order of High Priesthood, and the Masonic and Military Order of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders.

During the past two years I have gained a deeper understanding of the nobleness and the need of the institution of Royal Arch Masonry. The challenge to it is greater than ever before and to be a Royal Arch Mason should mean a great deal because our Order stands for ideals, for thinking, for character — not in the abstract and general, but in the concrete and individual. I am constrained to say that we have developed a feeling of complacency, as a consequence of which the progress of our Order has to some degree been retarded. Nothing retards the wheels of progress quite so effectively as contentment. If we are no better, no wiser, no greater than the past, then we have failed in our mission. We may faithfully discharge the high and important duties that devolve upon us, yet we must always beware of contentment. Any society that is not improving, is deteriorating. To be successful and justify our existence we must be progressive and in a constant state of transformation, developing new and loftier ideals, reaching out for greater things, and marching abreast of the advancing age. Who will doubt that the crying need in this day and generation is for a nobler conception of human relationship, a finer vision of human brotherhood, and a more generous application of the Golden Rule. Ritualistic forms and ceremonies and speculative teachings are but a medium by which we ascend to a higher level of useful effort and unselfish service. Let us put aside the non-essentials, look beyond the realm of trivialities, and magnify the wide, far-reaching principles, which alone are responsible for Masonic greatness and which will continue to attract and hold the interest of thoughtful and sincere individuals. Seldom does one find a man who makes any form of contribution to humanity who lives for himself alone. Poor indeed is he whose life does not give something of itself — without money and without price, to another. Love of home, affection for friends, charity to the less fortunate, desire for good reputation, and honour, these are all intangibles, yet they make up the most and the best of life.

Thousands of years ago the Psalmist sang "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity". This is just as true today, but to dwell in unity we must have a common bond, a common tie, a common inspiration. Such inspiration is ours for the taking. We have a great mission to fulfill and grave responsibilities have been placed upon us. Let us not waste time, therefore, in dreaming of a far-distant future, however alluring it may appear, but take up the challenge which is now before us and go forward, striving for that sublime cause of universal brotherhood, which is above and beyond all price.

"What greater opportunity
Has come, or could there ever be
Than this, that we have been allowed
A day to use what God endowed?
We cannot see beyond today,
And yet we squander time away
As though it were eternity.
God grant that we today may see,
May choose and use the wiser way,
Our opportunity — today."

NECROLOGY

During the past year many devoted Companions have completed their earthly mission and been called to the Grand Chapter above.

On May 19th, 1958, shortly following the Centennial Convocation, Grand Chapter sustained a great loss in the passing of M. Ex. Comp. John A. M. Taylor, who served as Grand First Principal in 1953 and 1954. He had made his contribution in many spheres of Masonic endeavour and will always be remembered by Grand Chapter for his zealous and untiring efforts in the cause of Royal Arch Masonry.

We were also saddened by the death of V. Ex. Comp. Sydney Newdick on May 18th, 1958. He had served Royal Arch Masonry well and for twenty-five years had been a member of the Committee of Scrutineers, acting as its Chairman much of the time.

On December 2nd, 1958, this Grand Chapter also lost another well-known and beloved member in the person of Rt. Ex. Comp. William J. Shaw, then Grand Archivist, whose devotion to Royal Arch Masonry had gained the esteem of all Companions, and others who came in contact with him.

It is also with regret that I report the death of Rt. Ex. Comp. B. F. Nott, on March 28th, 1959. He was exceedingly well known in all Masonic circles and gained for himself the high regard and esteem of the Companions of this jurisdiction. For his zeal and enthusiasm for Royal Arch Masonry this Grand Chapter,

some years ago, paid him tribute by conferring Honourary Membership on the Grand Executive.

Also on March 28th, 1959, Rt. Ex. Comp. James C. Leith, a member of the Grand Executive, died after a rather long illness. He will, indeed, be missed by reason of his kindly attitude to all Companions, and the efficiency with which he discharged any responsibility entrusted to him.

Many of the Companions will recall the inspirational Address given by the Rev. Dr. W. Harold Young, at the Centennial Thanksgiving Service. The Masonic Fraternity everywhere mourns his sudden death on December 21st, 1958.

We tender our deepest sympathy to the immediate families of these and other Companions who have passed to their great reward since last we met.

Reports from numerous sister jurisdictions record the names of many of their Companions who have answered the last great call. To them we offer our heartfelt condolences in the loss of these distinguished Companions.

The Committee on Fraternal Dead, under the Chairmanship of Rt. Ex. Comp. George Phillips, will present its report at this Convocation.

"Not silent are those hallowed dead,
A richer eloquence survives;
We have from those who've gone ahead,
The inspiration of their lives."

VISITATIONS

As my term of office draws to a close it is with a feeling of extreme pleasure and pride that I review my visitations over the past year. These have contributed much to extend my vision and increase my knowledge of our Royal Craft and I have been blessed with the happy fraternal relationship of the Companions not only of our jurisdiction, but many others.

At the invitation of M. Wor. Bro. Harry L. Martyn, Grand Master, my attendance with that of Rt. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson, Grand Scribe "E", at the One Hundred and Third Communication of Grand Lodge, was both inspirational and educational. The graciousness of the Grand Master's reception, and the hospitality afforded, will long be remembered.

Some visitations to sister jurisdictions in Canada and the United States were declined only because they conflicted with my commitments in our jurisdiction.

My personal thanks are extended to M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean, who accompanied me to the Grand Chapter of Michigan; M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House, who represented Grand Chapter and myself at the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, and M. Ex. Comp.

C. M. Pitts, who did likewise at the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia.

The visitations throughout the year brought immense stimulation and encouragement to me and I appreciated the dignity with which I was received, and the marked courtesy and unbounded hospitality displayed on all occasions. Following is a list of the visits made:

Chapter, Lodge or Event	Location	Occasion
1958		
MAY—		
5- 7—Grand Chapter of Virginia	Norfolk, Va.	Official Guest
19—Prince Edward Chapter No. 31	Picton, Ont.	Presentation Grand Chapter Regalia to Ex. Comp. William Havery
28—Norwood and North Star Chapters	Edmonton, Alta.	Visitations
JUNE—		
13—Nilestown Chapter No. 247	Nilestown, Ont.	Dedication of Chapter Room
19—St. Clair Chapter No. 75	Milton, Ont.	Dedication of Chapter Room
20—R.A.M. Golf Tournament	Aurora, Ont.	
23—Centennial Chapter No. 260	Streetsville, Ont.	Consecration of new Chapter and Dedication of Chapter Room
JULY—		
10—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Conference with Grand Scribe E and Grand J
15-17—Grand Lodge	Toronto	Official Guest
SEPT.—		
19—The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145	Toronto	Past Principals Night
22—Georgetown Chapter	Georgetown, Ont.	Formation Principals' Association, Wellington District
26—Shuniah Chapter No. 82	Port Arthur, Ont.	District Meeting
27—Quetico Chapter No. 259	Atikokan, Ont.	Consecration and Dedication of Chapter Room
28—Divine Service	Port Arthur, Ont.	
OCT.—		
1- 2—Cunningham Chapter No. 187	Cleveland, Ohio	Canadian Grand Chapter Night to honour 100th Anniversary Grand Chapter of Canada and Grand First Principal
3- 4—Northern Lights Chap. No. 213	Timmins, Ont.	District Meeting
5—Divine Service	Timmins, Ont.	
6—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting Advisory Com. and Council
8—McKay Chapter No. 243	Stoney Creek, Ont.	Dedication of Chapter Room
10—Occident Chapter No. 77	Toronto	Reception Grand Z and presentation Hon. Membership
16-18—Grand Chapter of Michigan	Battle Creek, Mich.	Official Guest
20-21—Grand Chapter of Ohio	Cincinnati, Ohio	Official Guest
23—Nilestown Chapter No. 247	Nilestown, Ont.	Grand Chapter Night
24—Oxford Chapter No. 18	Woodstock, Ont.	Presentation 25 Year Past Principal's Jewel
25—Georgian District No. 9	Barrie, Ont.	District Meeting
29—Principals' Assoc. Niagara District No. 7	Port Colborne, Ont.	Visitation
31—King Solomon's Chapter No. 8	Toronto	"Ladies' Night"
NOV.—		
8—Sombra Chapter No. 153	Wallaceburg, Ont.	Dedication of Chapter Room
9—Toronto District No. 8A	Brampton, Ont.	District Divine Service
12—Huron District No. 6	St. Marys, Ont.	District Meeting

Chapter, Lodge or Event	Location	Occasion
15—Tuscan Chapter No. 95	Sudbury, Ont.	Visitation
17—St. John's Chapter No. 112	Morrisburg, Ont.	Dedication of Chapter Room
19—Lebanon Chapter No. 220	Toronto	Presentation 25 Year Past Principal's Jewel
20—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting Advisory Com. and Council
22—The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145	Toronto	Annual Grand Chapter Night
23—The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145	Toronto	Special Luncheon
24—Aurora Chapter No. 235	Aurora, Ont.	"Master Masons Night"
28—St. George's Chapter No. 5	London, Ont.	Visitation
DEC.—		
8-10—Grand R.A. Chapter of Massachusetts	Boston, Mass.	Official Guest
19—Humber Chapter No. 246	Weston	Presentation Hon. Membership to Grand "Z"
1959		
JAN.—		
5—The St. Andrew & St. John's Chapter No. 4	Toronto	Installation Ceremony
6—Mount Sinai Chapter No. 212	Toronto	Installation Ceremony
9—York Chapter No. 62	Toronto	Installation Ceremony
14—St. Paul's Chapter No. 65	Toronto	Installation Ceremony
16—The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145	Toronto	Installation Ceremony
17—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting — Revision Grand Chapter History
19—Prince Edward Chapter No. 31	Picton, Ont.	Special Visitation
22—Ulster Chapter No. 219	Toronto	Presentation Hon. Membership to Grand "Z"
22—King Solomon's Chapter No. 8	Toronto	Presentation 25 Year Jewel to Grand Scribe "E" and 50 Year Jewel to Rt. Ex. Comp. Arthur Tinker.
23—St. Alban's Chapter No. 217	Toronto	Installation Ceremony
26—Centennial Chapter No. 260	Streetsville, Ont.	Installation Ceremony
29—Principal's Association, Toronto Districts Nos. 8 and 8A	Toronto	Annual Dinner
FEB.—		
3- 6—The Grand Chapter of the State of New York	Albany, N.Y.	Official Guest
10-12—Grand Chapter of Manitoba	Winnipeg, Man.	Official Guest
20—St. Francis Chapter No. 133	Smiths Falls, Ont.	Spec. Convocation and presentation Hon. Membership to Grand "Z"
26—Toronto Districts Nos. 8 and 8A	Toronto	Reception to Grand "Z"
MAR.—		
10—Bernard Chapter No. 146	Listowel, Ont.	Spec. Convocation. Reception to Grand "Z"
14—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting Spec. Committee re Grand Chapter History
16—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting Nomination Com.
17—Ionic Chapter No. 168	Campbellford, Ont.	Fiftieth Anniversary
20—The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145	Toronto	"Irish Night"
25-26—Grand Chapter of Quebec	Montreal, P.Q.	Official Guest
27—Summit Triangle Chapter	Buffalo, N.Y.	"International Night"
APR.—		
4—The St. Andrew Chapter No. 238	Toronto	Birthday Convocation
9—The St. Clair Chapter No. 231	London, Ont.	Presentation Hon. Membership to Grand "Z"

HONOURS

During the past year I have been the proud recipient of Honourary Membership in the following Chapters, and acknowledge with grateful thanks the honours so conferred upon me:

The Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Manitoba—Past Grand "Z,"
Prince Edward Chapter No. 31, Picton,
Occident Chapter No. 77, Toronto,
Shuniah Chapter No. 82, Port Arthur,
Quetico Chapter No. 259, Atikokan,
Fort William Chapter No. 140, Fort William,
Northern Lights No. 213, Timmins,
Sombra Chapter No. 153, Wallaceburg,
Humber Chapter No. 246, Weston,
St. Francis Chapter No. 133, Smiths Falls,
St. Alban's Chapter No. 217, Toronto.
Ulster Chapter No. 219, Toronto.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

It has been a distinct pleasure to recommend the following for Grand Representatives near our Grand Chapter, and to report that these have been confirmed by the respective Grand First Principals, or Grand High Priests, and the necessary Commissions presented:

Delaware—R. Ex. Comp. W. J. Grierson, Toronto, Ont.
Montana—R. Ex. Comp. D. Harcus, Fort William, Ont.
Texas—R. Ex. Comp. A. C. Mason, Kitchener, Ont.
West Virginia—R. Ex. Comp. F. Schytte, Toronto, Ont.
Manitoba—R. Ex. Comp. P. S. Jannison, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.
Quebec—M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, Toronto, Ont.
Victoria, Australia—V. Ex. Comp. A. Wishart, Woodstock, Ont.
Western Australia—R. Ex. Comp. E. H. Wood, Belleville, Ont.

Moreover, the following distinguished Companion has been nominated and approved as our Grand Representative near his Grand Chapter:

Virginia—Ex. Comp. I. J. Warhman.

ANNIVERSARIES

On March 17th, 1959, accompanied by the Grand "H", Grand "J", and other Grand Chapter Officers, I attended the Fiftieth Anniversary of Ionic Chapter, Campbellford. It was encouraging to see such a large number of Companions present, representing many Chapters.

Ionic Chapter is to be commended for its half century of service to Royal Arch Masonry and its zeal and fidelity to Grand Chapter.

It is worthy of note that Wawanosh Chapter, Sarnia, is now in its One Hundredth year, which will be climaxed by a Centennial celebration in October next. Grand Chapter voices congratulations to it on attaining this historic milestone.

I had the honour of attending the One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Virginia, in the City of Norfolk, May 5th to 7th, 1958. At that time it was my great pleasure to present on behalf of M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House, Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada, a Union Jack, to commemorate this special occasion.

VETERANS OF MASONRY

It has been my privilege over the past year to present Jewels to many Companions, emblematic of Fifty Years' Membership and service in Grand Chapter. This pleasing duty has brought with it an appreciation of the debt we owe these Companions who have laboured long and well in the vineyard of Royal Arch Masonry. Surely such service should inspire us to not only accept our individual responsibilities but follow their example and by a determined effort make a greater contribution to our respective Chapters.

It has likewise been a privilege and given great satisfaction to present many Twenty-five Year Past Principals' Jewels. I am happy to report that the action taken by Grand Chapter last year; namely, restoring the Jewel (to replace the Bar), has been implemented.

It has been most significant that the majority of the recipients of these Jewels are still active in their Chapters, recognizing in a very practical way their obligations thereto, and to Royal Arch Masonry in general. May these Veterans of Masonry continue to be blessed with wisdom and strength so that we may be the beneficiaries of their counsel and direction for years to come.

Several Fifty Year Jewels have been presented to Companions residing outside our jurisdiction. I am most grateful to the various jurisdictions who have kindly arranged to make the presentation of these Jewels.

Following is a list of those who have received recognition from Grand Chapter during the past year (this does not include the names of Excellent Companions who have received Jewels to replace the Bar previously presented to them):

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

For Fifty Years Installed First Principal (Bar added to 25 Year Jewel)

Chapter

Occident, No. 77—V. Ex. Comp. R. Falconer

For Sixty Years Installed First Principal (Gold Bar added to 50 Year Jewel)

Chapter

St. George's, No. 5—Comp. A. H. Hodgins
St. John's, No. 48—V. Ex. Comp. A. Bowman

For Fifty Years a Royal Arch Mason

Chapter

Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui, No. 1—Comp. D. J. Evans

The Hiram, No. 2—Comps. H. A. Alde, J. A. Bauer, J. Bibby, J. W. Culhane, C. A. McGara, M. McP. Hastings, J. C. Robinson.

St. John's, No. 3—V. Ex. Comp. S. R. Sampson, Comp. J. McIlvanne.

St. George's, No. 5—Comps. O. W. Fuller, W. H. Rath, G. J. Carswell, W. L. Cook, W. D. Elliott, Ex. Comp. F. D. Millar, Comp. A. W. Robinson, Comp. J. G. Steel, V. Ex. Comp. F. S. Thomson, V. Ex. Comp. J. A. Atcheson.

King Solomon's, No. 8—Comps. W. I. Crombie, D. S. Williams, R. Ex. Comp. A. L. Tinker.

Carleton, No. 16—Comps. R. Richardson, M. Rosenthal, W. R. Saults, A. H. Thoburn, D. H. Younghusband, M. Ex. Comp. J. Gray, V. Ex. Comp. C. H. B. Sievers, Ex. Comp. L. Wood.

Mount Horeb, No. 20—Comp. J. L. Dixon.
Grenville, No. 22—Ex. Comp. A. R. Robinson.
Tecumseh, No. 24—Ex. Comp. H. W. Baker, Comp. H. G. Rankin.
Manitou, No. 27—Comp. H. M. Stephens.
McCallum, No. 29—R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Yocum.
Victoria, No. 37—Ex. Comp. H. H. Holdaway, Comp. N. C. Yeo.
St. James, No. 46—Comp. W. J. Atkinson.
Wellington, No. 47—Comps. J. C. Shepherd, J. W. Verrall, E. N. Fremlin.
York, No. 62—V. Ex. Comp. C. F. Brookes.
Maitland, No. 68—Comp. W. S. Murphy.
Occident, No. 77—Comp. J. P. Gee.
Ark, No. 80—R. Ex. Comp. W. E. Tregenza, Comp. W. G. Wells.
MacNabb, No. 88—Comps. R. E. Carscallen, R. McVean, W. A. Peace.
Kitchener, No. 117—Comp. F. A. Lewis.
Amabel, No. 131—Comp. R. Cooley.
Succoth, No. 135—V. Ex. Comp. D. A. Turner, Ex. Comp. W. Akney.
Shekinah, No. 138—R. Ex. Comp. J. A. Evans.
London, No. 150—M. Ex. Comp. J. E. Johnson.
Lorne, No. 164—Comp. H. Miller.
Kichikewana, No. 167—Comp. W. R. Benson.

For Twenty-five Years Installed First Principal

Chapter

Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui, No. 1—R. Ex. Comp. H. F. Thomson.
The Hiram, No. 2—R. Ex. Comp. J. H. Forbes.
St. Andrew & St. John, No. 4—Ex. Comp. J. B. Stewart.
St. George's, No. 5—R. Ex. Comp. R. J. Cushman, Ex. Comp. H. F. Hill, V. Ex. Comp. W. A. Hunter.
The Moira, No 7—J. A. Weese.
King Solomon's, No. 8—R. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson.
Carleton, No. 16—R. Ex. Comp. J. P. Cordukes.
Mount Moriah, No. 19—V. Ex. Comp. F. D. Wilson.
Mount Horeb, No. 20—Ex. Comp. W. T. Sills.
Ezra, No. 23—R. Ex. Comp. W. Johnston.
Tecumseh, No. 24—Ex. Comp. F. C. Walker, Ex. Comp. F. Bradley.
McCallum, No. 29—V. Ex. Comp. F. H. Howe.

Huron, No. 30—Ex. Comp. R. G. Sanderson.
Keystone, No. 35—Ex. Comp. J. R. Frost.
Corinthian, No. 36—Ex. Comp. A. J. Throop.
Victoria, No. 37—V. Ex. Comp. H. Mitchell.
Harris, No. 41—R. Ex. Comp. W. L. Anscombe.
Mount Sinai, No. 44—Ex. Comp. R. E. Sexsmith.
St. James, No. 46—Ex. Comp. N. V. Johnston.
Wellington, No. 47—Ex. Comp. W. J. Hayden, V. Ex. Comp. J. A. M. Hay.
Palestine, No. 54—R. Ex. Comp. E. E. Seger.
Georgian, No. 56—Ex. Comp. G. A. Garbutt.
King Hiram, No. 57—Ex. Comps. G. N. Black, C. F. Rogers.
York, No. 62—R. Ex. Comp. S. H. B. Tonkin.
Havelock, No. 63—Ex. Comp. H. D. Thacker.
Enterprise, No. 67—R. Ex. Comp. J. F. Edwards, Ex. Comp. S. Moore.
Grimsby, No. 69—Ex. Comp. J. H. Wells, V. Ex. Comp. D. Cloughley.
Beaver, No. 74—Ex. Comp. H. M. Laughton, Ex. Comp. W. G. MacVicar.
Shuniah, No. 82—V. Ex. Comp. F. S. Foot.
Algonquin, No. 102—R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Davidson.
St. John's, No. 103—R. Ex. Comp. E. L. Moore.
Covenant, No. 113—R. Ex. Comp. A. Mitchell.
Bonnechere, No. 114—Ex. Comp. T. Williams.
Brant, No. 115—R. Ex. Comp. J. L. Churchill.
King Cyrus, No. 119—Ex. Comp. H. M. Peterson.
Elliott, No. 129—V. Ex. Comp. E. H. Robinson.
Succoth, No. 135—Ex. Comp. J. McG. Low.
Bernard, No. 146—Ex. Comp. S. L. Bartja.
Alberton, No. 152—Ex. Comp. J. W. Skrief.
Sombra, No. 153—R. Ex. Comp. W. G. Laing.
The Hamilton, No. 175—V. Ex. Comp. W. J. Riddell.
Hugh Murray, No. 184—Ex. Comp. A. J. Francis.
Peel, No. 195—Ex. Comp. N. L. Powell.
Kitchener, No. 210—Ex. Comp. L. W. Latimer.
Mount Sinai, No. 212—V. Ex. Comp. M. L. Levy.
Northern Lights, No. 213—Ex. Comp. J. Ralph.
Vimy, No. 214—V. Ex. Comp. G. R. Tinney.
St. Alban's, No. 217—R. Ex. Comp. J. R. Mackie.
Lebanon, No. 220—V. Ex. Comp. R. N. Carr, V. Ex. Comp. W. M. Creech.
Durham, No. 221—Ex. Comp. J. F. Irwin.
Ottawa, No. 222—Ex. Comp. W. C. Pescod.
Beaver, No. 225—R. Ex. Comp. J. S. Pickard.
Quinte Friendship, No. 227—Ex. Comp. E. E. Smith, Ex. Comp. A. E. Barlow.
Oakwood, No. 233—V. Ex. Comp. A. E. Hayward.
Halton, No. 234—Ex. Comp. A. H. Feller.
St. Andrew, No. 238—Ex. Comp. W. F. Bailey.
University, No. 241—R. Ex. Comp. W. S. M. Enouy.
McKay, No. 243—Ex. Comp. H. B. Lobb, Ex. Comp. C. J. C. Smith.
Thomas Peters, No. 250—Ex. Comp. D. Morrison, Ex. Comp. A. R. Graham.
Hiawatha, No. 252—V. Ex. Comp. J. A. Smith.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS WELFARE COMMITTEE TORONTO DISTRICTS 8 AND 8A

On February 15th, 1959, I was pleased to attend the Annual Meeting of this Committee, which was again held at the Y.M.C.A.

on Eglinton Avenue East. I then installed the Officers for the coming year. Ex. Comp. John Webber of St. Albans Chapter was replaced as Chairman by Rt. Ex. Comp. J. Llewellyn Hewson of Ulster Chapter. The reports submitted by various Chairmen of Sub-Committees were most enlightening and again proved the worthwhileness and excellence of the work accomplished by this group of dedicated Royal Arch Masons.

During the Summer period this Committee was again responsible for the transportation of mothers and under-privileged children from the Toronto Missions to its Camp at Bronte, Ontario.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Elmer M. Woolcock, Chairman of the Hospital Visiting Committee, advised that all Royal Arch Companions from Districts other than Toronto, who had been reported to be in Hospitals in the metropolitan area of Toronto, had received visitations and comforts. I would again urge that the Scribes "E" of constituent Chapters inform the Grand Scribe "E", Rt. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson, or Rt. Ex. Comp. Woolcock, 91 Castle Knock Road, Toronto 12, when any of their Companions are patients in Hospitals within the Toronto metropolitan area.

The Welfare Committee continues to bring comfort and happiness to patients at Divadale Hospital, where veterans receive domiciliary care through the Department of Veterans Affairs. Likewise a similar form of endeavour continues to be carried out for aged men and women — inmates of Laughlin Lodge.

The Committee also continues its interest in the Metropolitan School for Retarded Children, at 186 Beverley Street, Toronto, but to an increased degree. The value of the work accomplished in this connection is perhaps best exemplified by letters received from the Residence Supervisor. I quote hereunder portions from these communications:

September 17th, 1958.

> "Once again we wish to thank you for your many, many kindnesses to our children and our staff. You are often the topic of happy conversation among our children.
>
> You are aiding the staff in a very important way by helping us to keep our children in close contact with the reality of the world outside our "Home". They are learning a valuable lesson, how to get along with people other than our staff."

January 19th, 1959.

> "We thank you once again for your companionship with our children every week, the outings, gifts and money you have so kindly provided for us over the past two years."

It was gratifying to learn that the Committee finances these

projects, in the main, by its own efforts, and its report in this respect reveals a healthy financial state.

That this Committee's endeavours are bringing forth even greater success, is without question, and to the members thereof I express, both personally, and in behalf of Grand Chapter, commendation and appreciation. May I again urge other Districts throughout the jurisdiction to pattern themselves by the achievements of this comparatively small but devoted group of Royal Arch Masons. Indeed, Tuscan Chapter, Sudbury, recently reported that commencing with Christmas, 1956, their Chapter has taken an interest in the children in hospitals there and since that date every child confined to hospital during the Christmas period has received a suitable gift, the cost of which has been covered by the voluntary contributions of Chapter members. There may, of course, be other Chapters in a similar category, which have not so far reported their activities in this connection to Grand Chapter.

UNIVERSITY BURSARIES

At its Centennial celebration in April, 1958, Grand Chapter accepted my recommendation that a sum of $1,500.00 be set aside for the purpose of awarding Bursaries of $300.00 each, to the following:

Queen's University—Kingston
University of Western Ontario—London
McMaster University—Hamilton
Carelton University—Ottawa
University of Toronto—Toronto

That the action of Grand Chapter in this respect was well merited is best evidenced by excerpts of letters received from the following:

Principal, Queen's University, Kingston, May 21st, 1958:

"Let me say how much I appreciate the action of your Chapter and your own initiative in it and how very helpful this award to a first year student will be."

President, University of Western Ontario, London, May 21st, 1958:

"This evidence of your interest in needy students is very much appreciated and is a very worthy decision taken on the occasion of your One Hundredth Anniversary."

President, McMaster University, Hamilton, May 26th, 1958:

"This kind of help is always needed, and I can assure you that the money will be invested in young

people year to year as wisely as our Scholarships Committee can decide."

Chairman, Sub-Committee on Awards, Carleton University, June 26th, 1958:

"We are really most grateful for this generous contribution to the welfare of our students. There are special needs just now because of the tight employment situation and in any event we never have enough bursary money to meet the many worthy calls for assistance. This is indeed a splendid way to mark the Centennial year of the Grand Chapter."

Secretary, Board of Governors, University of Toronto, July 10th, 1958:

"May I express on behalf of the Board of Governors its appreciation of the Grand Chapter's generous action. Assistance of this kind is welcomed by the University and, by lightening the financial load, provides a real stimulus to able and deserving students."

While no similar recommendation in the matter of Bursaries will be forthcoming this year, yet the observations made by the late M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Haentschel, M.D., in his Address at the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Grand Chapter, namely:

"May it not be well, therefore, that we look about for some other field of endeavour, to the end that we may leave something to those who come after, some evidence of activity along humanitarian lines, really worth while."

are more than ever applicable today. I therefore recommend to my successor that he form a small Committee to consider and report to Grand Chapter next year on the advisability of continuing the award of Bursaries, and the method of payment thereof.

MASONIC LIBRARY

The Grand Lodge Librarian, Rt. Wor. Bro. and Companion A. E. MacGregor, continues to give co-operation and advice to those Companions who seek his services. My personal thanks and those of Grand Chapter are extended to him. May I again urge that more Companions take advantage of the facilities available at the Grand Lodge Library, Masonic Temple, 888 Yonge Street, where there is an abundance of literature of an interesting and instructive nature for the enthusiastic and active Royal Arch Mason.

MEMBERSHIP

This very important aspect of Chapter activities has, during the year, given me considerable anxiety and I have continually endeavoured to stimulate interest and remind Companions that all

are obligated to encourage others to seek that further knowledge of Masonry which can be found in Royal Arch Chapters. The opinion I expressd in my Address last year, has, unfortunately, not changed. The Grand Scribe "E" reports that as of December 31st, 1958, Grand Chapter Membership increased by 138, which is more than double that of the previous year.

We have 22,628 Companions. During the past year we have lost 503 by death. However, it is alarming to observe that 152 Companions have been lost by Suspension for non-payment of Dues, and 228 by Demit. The significance of this loss cannot be over-stressed, and I naturally wonder if in each instance an investigation was completed before the suspension was made or the Demit given. I feel very strongly that such a practice should be adopted by all Chapters.

Again I would remind all that while advocating the need and importance of additional members, it is equally important to retain the membership we have. Thorough investigation would, I believe, reveal circumstances which could be rectified and thus bring about a lessening in the number of memberships lost in the field of Suspensions and Demits.

During the past year 902 candidates have been initiated — a small increase over the preceding year. It is exceedingly disappointing, however, when a study of the potentials of membership is so revealing; viz., Grand Lodge according to its 1958 Proceedings, had a membership of 134,624 as of December 31st, 1957. Thus if members of respective Chapters are both active in attendance and participation in all avenues of work in their Craft Lodges, there is no reason why they should not be able to influence and persuade many Master Masons to obtain the further Masonic knowledge and instruction found in a Chapter of the Holy Royal Arch, not forgetting the great opportunity it also affords for another Masonic purpose — that of social intercourse.

The Special Grand Chapter Committee on Membership, under the Chairmanship of Rt. Ex. Comp. A. F. Tannahill, has furnished Grand Superintendents and Chapters with excellent material in the field of membership. I tender to him and his Committee, my personal thanks and those of Grand Chapter for its outstanding endeavours. Rt. Ex. Comp. Tannahill will make a full and comprehensive report at this Convocation and I would again urge all Companions to study this report, then determine to do something practical about it.

NEW CHAPTERS

With much pleasure I reported last year that two new Chapters — Quetico at Atikokan, and Centennial at Streetsville, were working under dispensation. Grand Chapter in its wisdom granted Warrants to these Chapters at the Centennial Convocation. I

have already officiated, with others, at the Dedication of their Chapter Rooms and presentation of Charters, and am able to say with pride that both Chapters have made excellent progress in all avenues of Royal Arch endeavour.

DEDICATIONS

It is again my privilege to report that, accompanied on each occasion by a splendid representation of Grand Chapter Officers, I officiated at the following Dedications of Chapter Rooms:

June 13th, 1958—Nilestown Chapter No. 247, Nilestown.
June 19th, 1958—St. Clair Chapter No. 75, Milton.
June 23rd, 1958—Centennial Chapter No. 260, Streetsville.
Sept. 27th, 1958—Quetico Chapter No. 259, Atikokan.
Oct. 8th, 1958—McKay Chapter No. 243, Stoney Creek.
Nov. 8th, 1958—Sombra Chapter No. 153, Wallaceburg.
Nov. 17th, 1958—St. John's Chapter No. 112, Morrisburg.

DISPENSATIONS

Attend Divine Service	24
Change Day or Hour of Opening	76
Advancement of Officers as required by Constitution	13
Permit Installation of Officers on a day not prescribed in By-Laws	2
Dispense with Convocations in summer months	6
Meet in another hall	5
Permit Social Functions	33
Permit a Special Emergent Meeting	3
Permit the conferring of three Degrees in one day	1
Dispense with Meeting due to renovation of hall	1
Dispense with December Meeting in accordance with By-laws	1
Hold Election in November instead of December	1
Permit Amputation to be Initiated	1
Total	167

It is pleasing to observe the number of Dispensations granted for Divine Services. I cannot stress too strongly the advisability of such Services. However, they must be supported by the Companions of the respective Chapters or Districts. I am compelled to say that nothing affects the public reputation of our great institution more than a sparsely attended Divine Service.

CHAPTER BY-LAWS

New By-Laws Approved:

Chapter	No.	Chapter	No.
Mount Sinai	44	Lebanon	220
Enterprise	67	Tyrian	258
Prince of Wales	71	Quetico	259

Amendments To By-Laws Approved:

Chapter	No.	Chapter	No.
Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui	1	Chantry	130
The St. Andrew & St. John	4	Shekinah	138
St. George's	5	Fort William	140
Wellington	47	Atwood	149
York	62	Alberton	152
Havelock	63	Sombra (2)	153
Prince of Wales	71	Mount Sinai	212
Beaver	74	Keystone	224
Occident	77	Quinte Friendship	227
Shuniah	82	Oakwood	233
Lebanon	84	The St. Andrew	238
NacNabb	88	McKay	243
White Oak	104	Nilestown	247
Warkworth	110	Regal	253
		Yukon	256

DORMANT CHAPTERS

Pembroke Chapter	No. 58, Mattawa
Klondike Chapter	No. 154, Dawson City

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

I am convinced that heretofore these events have played an important role in cementing the happy relationships which exist between this Grand Chapter and other jurisdictions. There are only two which can be considered of a permanent character — that held annually under the auspices of Covenant Chapter No. 113, Cornwall, and Massena Chapter, Massena, N.Y., and that under the joint auspices of Hiawatha Chapter, Sarnia, and Port Huron Chapter, Michigan. The former was held on September 27th, 1958, but at that time I was in Atikokan, where I Consecrated and Dedicated Quetico Chapter. However, Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith, the Grand "H", represented Grand Chapter and myself on that occasion. The latter was held at Sarnia, on March 14th, 1959, but again, other important Grand Chapter commitments precluded my attendance, and I, and Grand Chapter were represented by Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, the Grand "J". I repeat the thanks I have already expressed to them for a service ably performed.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

You are again reminded that the Constitution of Grand Chapter requires that all Nominations for Election at Grand Chapter must be made available to the Grand Scribe "E" no later than March 15th, and opened by a Committee appointed by the Grand First Principal. This duty was properly executed by a Committee composed of M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Chairman, and M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House, and myself, as Members.

INVESTMENTS

There has been a slight change this year in Grand Chapter Investments, brought about by Centennial Convocation expense, and the conversion of Government of Canada Bonds. However, a comprehensive report will be presented at this Convocation by Rt. Ex. Comp. F. Carl Ackert, Chairman of Committee on Investments.

FINANCES

Grand Chapter continues to be ably served and is, indeed, indebted to M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean, Grand Treasurer, and Rt. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, Chairman of the Committee on Finance. The very efficient manner in which they have discharged their respective responsibilities is worthy of the highest commendation, and to them I express my personal thanks and those of Grand Chapter. They will submit to this Convocation reports containing detailed information in the matter of our financial position.

PAST RANK

Ex. Comp. Russell E Cain was regularly Installed as First Principal of the Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew & St. John, No. 4, Toronto, but in July, 1958, was admitted to Sunnybrook Hospital where he received lengthy treatment for a war disability (leg amputation). During hospitalization he continued to administer the affairs of his Chapter. A request has been received from the Chapter that he be given Past Rank, and having a personal knowledge of this Excellent Companion's zeal for Royal Arch Masonry, I have no hesitation in recommending that this be granted.

Ex. Comp. James Short, First Principal Toronto-Antiquity Chapter No. 91, because of circumstances beyond his control was not Installed until February of 1958. A request has been received from the Chapter that he be given Past Rank. It is reported that he has discharged his duties regularly and efficiently, and I therefore recommend that Past Rank be conferred on him.

Ex. Comp. Max Gourley of Thomas Peter's Chapter No. 250, Windsor, was regularly Installed, but in August, 1958, suffered a heart attack and as a consequence was unable to attend Convocations during the Fall session. A request has been received from this Chapter that he be given Past Rank. It is worthy of note that it has been reported to me, this Excellent Companion was in close touch with Chapter affairs during his illness; moreover, that during his progress through the various Offices he was a most capable and conscientious Officer. I therefore recommend that Past Rank be granted.

Ex. Comp. William Newman was elected First Principal of Warkworth Chapter No. 110, in December, 1957, but a few

days later became ill. Hospital treatment was necessary, consequently he could not be Installed until the March Convocation. The Chapter reports that he has discharged his duties in a most capable and satisfactory manner, and I therefore recommend he be given Past Rank.

Ex. Comp. David N. Pugsley was, on January 13th, 1955, Installed as First Principal of The St. Clair Chapter No. 231, Toronto. In the Spring of 1955 he became seriously ill, which required his confinement to home for the balance of his term. While recovery has not been complete, he has since attended, and shown marked interest in all phases of Chapter activities. I therefore recommend that Past Rank be conferred on him.

GRAND CHAPTER HISTORY

The delay in publication of the Grand Chapter History is regrettable, but I am able to assure the Companions that this has been occasioned by most unforeseen and unexpected difficulties.

Grand Chapter is greatly indebted to M. Ex. Comp. Reginald VanEvery Conover, O.B.E., V.D., for his ceaseless and untiring endeavours in research and preparation of the material which has been the basis of the History.

The Grand Chapter History can be read with pride by all Royal Arch Masons. It is most interesting and informative and may be used as a method of education in all Chapters. It is well that I should quote the opening paragraph of the Foreword by M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden:

> "Probably the full and complete history of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada can never be reduced to words on paper. That is because the essence of Royal Arch Masonry consists of human and spiritual values which cannot be numbered and weighed and measured. Its real history is written in the hearts and lives of men and their communities."

My unbounded thanks and appreciation go to Rt. Ex. Comp. Ben Scott for the tremendous contribution made by him in the revision and complete editing of the material available for the Grand Chapter History. This of necessity caused further delay in having the History printed, but I am able to report that it has now been finalized and is with the Printer, thus will be ready for distribution shortly following this Grand Chapter Convocation. Grand Chapter will always be deeply grateful to this devoted and dedicated Royal Arch Mason.

RECOMMENDATION

For many years this Grand Chapter has been impressed with the zeal and fidelity of Rt. Ex. Comp. Fergus A. McDiarmid, of Carleton Chapter, No. 16, Ottawa. His ceaseless and untiring

efforts on behalf of Capitular Masonry has been an inspiration to all and should be an example for every Companion to emulate. In recognition of his services I recommend that Honourary Membership on the Grand Chapter Executive Committee be conferred upon him in accordance with Paragraph 65, Section 1, of the Grand Chapter Constitution.

Due to the death of Rt. Ex. Comp. B. F. Nott, confirmation of this recommendation will still leave a vacancy.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

During the past year I have made extensive visitations throughout the jurisdiction and have been profoundly impressed with the enthusiasm of so many of the Companions, coupled with their pride and faith in Capitular Masonry. Nevertheless, it has been necessary to express deep concern in the matter of lessened attendance and interest, which has been evident in all parts of the jurisdiction. It must be agreed that this problem is not one confined to Royal Arch Masonry alone but exists in all Fraternal circles. Indeed, it has been made the subject of articles in publications—yes, even national and international. I am firmly of opinion Grand Chapter must not disregard its responsibilities in this respect. I believe it essential that it make an earnest study of the subject and formulate a long-range plan of education and instruction at Chapter level, to foster and improve interest and enthusiasm in the Companions of the respective Chapters. However, it cannot be denied that considerable fault lies at Chapter level and with those charged with its leadership and administration.

Unfortunately, a feeling of complacency has apparently developed, and an attitude on the part of many to allow a few to accept responsibilities which, rightfully, belong to all. For instance, I have found that few Chapters open promptly in accordance with the stated time on their Circulars. Many Officers are not seized with the importance of their duties as shown by irregular and late attendance, and do not apply themselves with industry to their work in the various Degrees; Chapter Convocations are not thoroughly planned and thus, due to lateness of the hour, few Companions remain for the refreshment period, thereby losing the opportunity it affords for social discourse. Similarly, good speakers will not accept invitations because they cannot give sufficient time to their subjects.

The importance of matters arising out of Chapter administration should at no time be underestimated. Executive meetings are usually held for this very purpose. However, all too frequently such matters are prolonged at regular Chapter Convocations and we find that Degrees commence too late, are oft-times hurried, and as a consequence, lose their effectiveness, and candidates are unable to assimilate the lessons, and accept the challenge which can be found therein. It is difficult to understand why a First Princi-

pal of any Chapter, by well-advanced planning, cannot (except on some special occasion) complete all the requirements of a regular Convocation and permit the Companions to leave for their respective homes at a reasonable hour.

I am convinced that the foregoing reasons are mainly the cause for the steady decline in attendance, and lack of interest on the part of Companions, rather than that other forms of entertainment and activity have been responsible. It is my firm conviction that if we rectify these faults, a marked increase both in attendance and enthusiasm will result, because I know that throughout the jurisdiction there is not only a pride of membership in the great institution of Royal Arch Masonry, but a thirst for knowledge, which is available by active participation in it.

A study of the Constitution by the Principals of Chapters is essential, and Examining Boards should at all times be careful to ascertain that Principals about to be Installed, have a proper knowledge thereof.

I have found that many devoted Royal Arch Masons in the older age bracket, or with minor disabilities, are eager to attend their respective Chapters but are unable to do so because of a lack of transportation facilities. Here, surely, is a further field of service which should be explored by all Chapters.

During my term of Office I have gained considerable knowledge of Chapter activities by a study of Monthly Circulars. However, many contain no information of value to Companions—merely record the date of Chapter Convocation. It must be remembered that the Chapter Circular is a splendid media for Masonic material of an informative nature, also a means to stimulate interest, and for the recognition of individual responsibility to all Chapter activities. I would urge that Chapters carefully study and take advantage of the opportunities which are available in this connection. I have found that all too often preparation of the Monthly Circular is left to a busy Scribe "E". This is the responsibility of the First Principal, although he must constantly seek the advice of the Scribe "E" for the material which appears therein.

Too much importance cannot be attached to the selection of Officers — Chapter or otherwise. The practice exists in many Districts that Grand Superintendents, and other Grand Chapter Officers, are selected, or elected, because it is considered a Chapter's turn, and a method of rotation is followed. This is not healthy for the institution, and I am constrained to say that it is the office that should seek the man.

During numerous discussions, particularly at Chapter level, it has been frequently mentioned that many Companions lose interest because they are not asked to participate in any form of Chapter

activity. This may be so, but, again, it is the responsibility of the First Principal to utilize the services of all his Companions, and I believe this can be done in many instances, by placing them on Special Committees, and seeking their advice in organization and planning of various Chapter functions. This naturally develops latent talent, and maintains enthusiasm in the knowledge that a worthwhile contribution is being made.

Comparatively recently I was advised that some enthusiastic Royal Arch Masons in a part of our jurisdiction had been approached regarding the formation of what is known as a York Rite College. I have made it abundantly clear to all concerned that the formation of such College would in no way be acceptable to this Grand Chapter; furthermore, is constitutionally improper.

The foregoing remarks are not made in a critical vein, but rather that I may awaken in the minds of all devoted Companions the need of a practical approach to problems which have beset Chapters and Grand Chapter for many years.

During the year I have had discussions with Grand Superintendents, and others, who believe it would be advantageous to Grand Chapter to have a geographical survey of the various Districts, because it is felt some Chapters are not properly located in their present District. The Grand Superintendent of Algoma District No. 14, made a careful survey of this situation, and on March 6th last, advised me (in part) as follows:

> "I personally feel that any change in this direction would be of benefit to this district. I feel also that the results of my year will be felt in the coming years."

It is worthy of note that the Grand Superintendent of Algoma District is required to travel some 870 miles in order to make an official visitation to the Chapter at the farthest point from his home, thus the return trip actually covers a distance of 1,740 miles. This is the largest territorial District within the jurisdiction, embracing 15,000 square miles and 3,048 miles by road. Likewise, New Ontario District No. 15, covers an area from North Bay to Sault Ste. Marie. I would, therefore, suggest to my successor that he appoint a Committee consisting of an active Past Grand Superintendent of every District, the whole Committee chaired by a Past Grand "Z", so that this matter may be carefully studied and a report submitted to Grand Chapter next year.

APPRECIATION

To the Principals' Association of the two Toronto Districts and its immediate Past President, Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Lewis, I express thanks in behalf of Grand Chapter for the invitation extended to hold this One Hundred and First Convocation in the City of Toronto, the Capital of the Province of Ontario. I also acknowledge with appreciation the efforts made by its membership,

which have been an important factor in completion of arrangements necessary in connection with any Convocation of Grand Chapter.

To the Past Grand First Principals I voice sincere thanks for the assistance and advice which have always been so readily available. The co-operation and support given to me by Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith, and Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, Grand "H" and "J" respectively, is worthy of high commendation, and to them I express my most sincere thanks. Furthermore, the contribution made during the year by Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Lewis, Grand Lecturer, has been exceptional. He has travelled extensively, at no expense to Grand Chapter, to make his services in the important field of Royal Arch Masonic instruction, available to those Districts and Chapters in the jurisdiction. For this, and his many personal services, I tender my deep appreciation.

My visitations throughout the jurisdiction have constantly enabled me to observe the services rendered by other Grand Chapter Officers, and the Grand Superintendents. It has been evident that they have applied themselves with diligence to the discharge of their responsibilities, and their loyalty to Grand Chapter has been particularly noteworthy. To them I extend my personal thanks, and those of Grand Chapter.

The co-operation and support I have received from Rt. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson, The Grand Scribe "E", have been most notable and are but further proof of the faithful and loyal service he has given to Grand Chapter. His friendship and counsel have been a source of encouragement, and to him I proffer my most sincere thanks. I would be most negligent if I failed to also express my deep appreciation to his Secretary, Miss Gwen Moore, and I therefore record my thanks accordingly, for her capable service.

CONCLUSION

The Sceptre which you presented to me two years ago will soon be passed to my successor. The high honour then bestowed upon me, together with the authority vested in me, has been the peak of my Masonic life, and I shall always remember the great privilege which was mine in presiding at the Centennial Grand Chapter Convocation. The Office has been time-consuming and demanding, but my life has been enriched by the experiences it has afforded. I have endeavoured to serve you with all my ability and strength, motivated only by an ardent desire to do so in the interests of Royal Arch Masonry. There have been occasions, perhaps, when I have failed, but may I assure you these were not because of a lack of will or inclination to do that which was right, but due, rather, to human frailties. I believe, by reason of your charity and kindness, you will pardon my seeming imperfections, remembering my great enthusiasm for Capitular Masonry. I view the past with

gratitude, the future with hope, assuring you of my untiring devotion to the cause of Royal Arch Masonry—always striving for that peace, harmony and good companionship, which must be continually cultivated and maintained.

Companions, I have been brought to a greater realization of the necessity of carrying into our daily lives the practice of those principles and precepts which are the fundamentals of our noble institution, because only by so doing may we raise a superstructure, worthy of ourselves and of the Order to which we are privileged to belong. Our heritage is great and we must constantly remind ourselves of our individual responsibility to keep it unspotted and unsullied, so that future generations may receive it from us pure and undefiled, enriched by the contribution we have made to its strength and power.

"Lose this day loitering—'twill be the same story
Tomorrow—and the next more dilatory;
Then indecision brings its own delays,
And days are lost lamenting o'er lost days.
Are you in earnest? Seize this very minute—
What you can do, or dream you can, begin it.
Courage has genius, power, and magic in it.
Only engage, and then the mind grows heated—
Begin it, and the work will be completed."

—Goethe's Faust

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

Maurice A. Searle,
GRAND Z.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and—

Resolved—That the address of the M. Ex. the Grand Z. be referred to the Committee on the Grand Z.'s Address to report thereon during the present Convocation of Grand Chapter.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 1

Rt. Ex. Comp. N. H. Walford

On behalf of the Companions of St. Clair District No. 1 I would first like to extend my thanks to Most Excellent Companion Maurice A. Searle, our Grand First Principal, in confirming my election as Superintendent for the District in which I hope I have been able to render a service to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Ex. Companion Bruce M. Smith has filled the position as secretary in a most admirable manner. His knowledge of Capitular Masonry and interest in activities of all Chapter work has been a fine example to all Companions.

A class of Instruction for the Principals of the Chapters in the District was held at Chatham on June 13 attended by the Principals of all Chapters. A considerable length of time was given to passing on instructions to the Principals at this meeting. The opportunity of informal discussion of Chapter problems saved much time at the Annual Inspections.

The visits of Inspection was arranged and completed as follows:

June 2—Ark No. 80, Windsor, Ont.
June 16—Ridgetown No. 73, Ridgetown, Ont.
June 20—Lorne No. 164, West Lorne, Ont.
Sept. 11—Prince of Wales No. 71, Essex, Ont.
Oct. 6—Sombra No. 153, Wallaceburg, Ont.
Oct. 8—Thos. Peters No. 250, Windsor, Ont.
Oct. 9—Wellington No. 47, Chatham, Ont.
Oct. 21—McNabb No. 88, Dresden, Ont.
Oct. 22—King Cyrus No. 118, Leamington, Ont.
Nov. 5—Blenheim No. 239, Blenheim, Ont.

The reception as representative of the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal on these visits was most cordial and impressive. In each case a degree was conferred in a manner that would solicit credit from the most ardent Companion.

Several combined Divine services were held through the District and the attendance extremely good.

A Past Grand Superintendent's night at West Lorne was scheduled for October 3, but due to the passing of Ex. Comp. Lemon, Scribe E., to the Grand Chapter above that same afternoon this was postponed until November 21 when a M.M.M. degree was conferred.

On November 8 a special Convocation of the Grand Chapter was called for the purpose of Dedication of the Chapter rooms at Sombra Chapter No. 153, Wallaceburg, Ont. This proved to be a most pleasant and satisfactory occasion. The necessity and advantage of attention to the details of the work was proven in the afternoon when the presiding Principals of the district combined their efforts and conferred the H.R.A. degree. Without the benefit of a practice the work was carried on with the confidence and freedom of each in his own Chapter.

In the evening a dinner was held in the basement of the new Temple, M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle as guest speaker. It is impossible in a report of this nature to even summarize the benefits we received from this inspiring talk to help us be better Masons, Companions and men.

St. Clair District takes a great deal of pride in arranging as many occasions as possible to include the ladies for a social evening. King Cyrus Chapter of Leamington sponsored one of the many such events on November 19 with Rt. Ex. Comp. H. B. Porter as guest speaker.

On November 23 the District was invited by Monroe Chapter No. 1 of Detroit, Michigan, to join with them in a Divine Service at the Mariners' Church in Detroit. The Mariners' Church is now situated on the

site of the beginning of Capitular Masonry in Michigan well over 100 years ago. All Chapters in the District were represented at this service and I had the honor and privilege of presenting the church with a Canadian flag donated by the St. Clair District Chapters on behalf of the Grand Chapter and Royal Arch Masons of Canada.

The position of Grand Superintendent presents many honors and privileges, but to me one of the greatest is the presenting of long service jewels.

For many years it has been the recognized practice for several Chapters in the district to combine their Installation ceremony. Although there was a mild opposition to departing from this, Ex. Companion J. Montgomery of Wellington Chapter offered to form a basic Installing team, supplemented by Past Principals of each of the Chapters in which the officers were being installed and invested. This proved to be a very satisfactory arrangement.

St. Clair District Chapters are to be congratulated on inter-Chapter visitations. Almost every convocation shows visitors from one or more of the other Chapters. Exchange of ideas and problems between Chapters and Officers are readily shared. The fraternal spirit between Companions of this District leaves nothing to be desired.

In conclusion, I would like to express my appreciation for the loyalty and support of all, the co-operation of Grand Chapter and its officers, and the constituent Chapter officers and members for giving me the opportunity to learn and understand more of the mysteries of Capitular Masonry.

To my successor I pledge my support and wish him every success.

LONDON DISTRICT No. 2

Rt. Ex. Companion J. W. Gough

As my term of office as Grand Superintendent draws to a close I take much pleasure in submitting my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in London District No. 2.

I wish to express to the Chapters of the District my appreciation for the confidence placed in me, and the honor bestowed, in electing me to the office of Grand Superintendent. My sincere thanks to M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle for confirming my election.

It was my good fortune and privilege to have Ex. Comp. Stuart Taylor accept the office of District Secretary. He served faithfully and conscientiously. I am most grateful and offer him my sincere thanks.

On May 4, 1958, I had the pleasure of attending a joint church service at St. George's Church sponsored by St. Andrew's Chapter No. 238. It was very well attended.

On May 16, 1958, I attended Ruling Principals' Night in Wawanosh Chapter No. 15, Sarnia, when the Principals of the district conferred the Royal Arch Degree in a very impressive manner before a large group of Companions of the District.

May 24, 1958, I attended Beaver Chapter No. 74, who were hosts to Oakland Chapter No. 5, Pontiac, Michigan, U.S.A. Oakland Chapter exemplified the Royal Arch Degree following a wonderful banquet. It was well attended.

On June 11, 1958, a chapter of instruction was held in the Masonic Hall at Strathroy. It was well attended by the Principals of the District. I passed the instructions of Grand Chapter on to them and also stressed the importance of increasing our membership.

On June 13, 1958, I attended the Dedication Ceremony of Nilestown Chapter room which was attended by M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, supported by past and present Grand Lodge Officers. M. Ex. Comp. Searle gave a very impressive talk on Royal Arch Masonry.

My Visits of Inspection to the Chapters and the Degrees conferred are as follows:

St. Johns No. 3—June 25—M.M.M.
St. Andrew No. 238—June 26—H.R.A.
St. Pauls No. 242—Sept. 2—M.E.M.
Palestine No. 54—Sept. 11—M.M.M.
London No. 150—Sept. 16—M.M.M.
Nilestown No. 247—Sept. 18—M.E.M.
St. George's No. 5—Sept. 26—M.M.M.
Wawanosh No. 15—Oct. 10—M.E.M.
Vimy No. 214—Oct. 13—H.R.A.
Minnewawa No. 78—Oct. 20—H.R.A.
Hiawatha No. 252—Nov. 3—H.R.A.
Beaver No. 74—Nov. 10—M.M.M.
Aylmer No. 81—Nov. 6—M.E.M.
Bruce No. 53—Nov. 19—No Degrees.

On September 8, 1958, in company with a number of Ex. Comps. and Comps., I paid a fraternal visit to St. James Chapter No. 46, St. Marys, on the occasion of the official visit of Rt. Ex. Comp. the Rev. Alex K. Campbell to his home Chapter.

On October 23, 1958, I attended Nilestown Chapter No. 247. At this time Most Ex. Companion M. A. Searle, assisted by Past and Present Grand Chapter Officers, conferred the Holy Royal Arch Degree in a most impressive manner. After the degree, M. Ex. Comp. Searle presented a number of 50 year jewels and 25 year Past Principal's jewels. At the request of M. Ex. Comp. Searle I went to the home of Rt. Ex. Comp. W. E. Summers and presented him with a 25 year Past Principal Jewel, assisted by Ex. Comp. T. Porter, the First Principal of Nilestown Chapter, and Very Ex. Comp. W. Smale.

On November 8, 1958, I attended the dedication of Sombra Chapter No. 153, St. Clair District No. 1, which was under the direction of M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, who was accompanied by the Officers of Grand Chapter.

On November 14, 1958, it was my pleasure to visit the Rt. Ex. Comp. E. Weber, Grand Superintendent of Wilson District No. 3 on his official visit to Harris Chapter No. 41.

At the request of M. Ex. Comp. Searle, on November 26 I presented 50 year Jewels to V. Ex. Comp. S. R. Sampson and Comp. J. McIlvenna, assisted by Ex. Comp. E. S. Gale, First Principal of their Chapter, St. John's No. 3.

On November 28 I attended St. George's Chapter No. 5 on which occasion M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle and Rt. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson made a special trip from Toronto to present six 50 year Jewels and two 25 year Past Principal Jewels.

On January 8, 1959, I attended the joint installation of the four London Chapters, Nilestown Chapter No. 247 and St. Paul's Chapter No. 242. It was under the direction of V. Ex. Comp. H. T. Downs, assisted by the Past Principals of the various chapters. The ceremony was very impressive and was very well attended by the Companions of the District.

On January 9, 1959, I attended the joint installation ceremonies of Wawanosh Chapter No. 15 and Hiawatha Chapter No. 252 in Sarnia. Rt. Ex. Comp. Christen was the installing Z., assisted by the Past Principals of the two Chapters. A large number of Companions were present, including a group from Huron Chapter No. 27, Port Huron, Michigan.

The District Divine Service will be held on April 19, 1959, at St. Timothy's Anglican Church, London, at 7.30 p.m. Rev. Bro. C. G. Markham will conduct the service.

Finally, I extend my sincere thanks to one and all for the assistance given to me and for the cordial reception tendered me on all occasions.

To my successor I pledge my full support and ask for him the same generous support and co-operation that I have received during my term of office.

WILSON DISTRICT No. 3

Rt. Ex. Comp. Ernest A. Webber

As my term of office is fast drawing to a close it is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in Wilson District No. 3.

I would just like to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to the Principals, Past and Present, of Wilson District No. 3 for the honor conferred on Harris Chapter No. 41 and myself in electing me to this high office, and to the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle for confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Harry R. Nagle as my Secretary. To him I wish to extend my sincere thanks for his loyal assistance throughout the year, accompanying me on all my official visits, inspecting the books of the Constituent Chapters.

My thanks to all the Companions of the District who supported me by being present at my Official Visits and helped to make my year a pleasant one.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Scribes of the various Chapters for their wholehearted support during my term of office and for the very nice way their books were kept.

One of the highlights of my year was a Friendship Convocation at Mount Horeb Chapter No. 20, Brantford, Ont., on May 15, with Wilson District No. 3 and Hamilton District No. 5 meeting together and having a Toronto degree team to put on the work. There was a very large attendance at this joint meeting. Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott and Rt. Ex. Comp. Hyatt McClure paid our district a visit at this meeting. We had Companions from every Chapter in the District and a very good number from Hamilton and Toronto Districts. It proved to be a very enlightening evening for everyone.

I attended Tillsonburg Chapter May 20, 1958, a fraternal visit. Also made St. John's Chapter, London, a fraternal visit on May 28 with four Harris Chapter Companions accompanying me. On June 12 I attended Ezra Chapter of Simcoe, Ont., and had the honor of presenting Very Ex. Comp. O. P. Richardson with his Grand Organist Regalia.

I attended the dedication of the new Nilestown Chapter room with several Companions from Harris Chapter on June 13, 1958.

My first Official Visit was at Tillsonburg Chapter on June 17, 1958. I made a fraternal visit to Oxford Chapter on June 20 and one to St. Andrew's Chapter in London on June 26.

On July 19, 1958, Rt. Ex. Comp. W. L. Young of Tillsonburg, Ont., passed to the Grand Chapter above. I attended his funeral with Companions from Harris Chapter on July 21, 1958.

On September 8, 1958, I paid a visit to St. James Chapter of St. Marys, Ont. It was their inspection by Rt. Ex. Comp. Alex Campbell.

My Official Visits as the Grand Superintendent were as follows:

June 17—Tillsonburg No. 255, Tillsonburg.
September 15—Brant No. 115, Paris.
September 25—Oxford No. 18, Woodstock.
October 8—Regal No. 253, Port Dover.
October 16—Mount Horeb No. 20, Brantford.
November 13—Ezra No. 23, Simcoe.
November 14—Harris No. 41, Ingersoll.

A District Church Service was held on Sunday, October 12, 1958, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Ingersoll. The Rev. D. T. Evans, minister of the church, was the speaker.

On October 24 our District had the special honor of again welcoming

our Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, and Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson, Grand S.E., at a meeting of Oxford Chapter, Woodstock, and Most Ex. Comp. Searle gave a very inspiring talk.

On November 8, 1958, I had the honor of attending with Grand Chapter Officers Sombra Chapter No. 153, Wallaceburg, dedication of their new room.

My Official Visit to my own Chapter, Harris Chapter No. 41, was another highlight in my year, there being thirteen Grand Chapter Officers present. There were seven Past Rt. Ex.'s, two Ruling Rt. Ex.'s and five Very Ex.'s present. This was my final inspection, and I felt honored to have this number of Grand Officers at my home Inspection. At this Convocation William Anscombe, one of our P.Z.'s, was presented with his 25 year P.Z.'s Jewel by Rt. Ex. Comp. L. L. Mansfield.

I assisted in three Installations in January, 1959.

In summing up I feel the year has been successful for Wilson District No. 3.

During the year a new Masonic Temple has been started in Ingersoll and we hope by the end of 1959 the Ingersoll Lodges and Harris Chapter will have a new home.

To my successor may he be accorded the same courtesies that I have received and I would like to extend to him my good wishes for a pleasant and successful year of office and offer my assistance in any way possible.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 4

R. Ex. Comp. Lewis B. Tracey

I have been trying to lay a firm foundation re membership committees in every Chapter in the District. I am pleased to announce that every Chapter has a working membership committee. From January 1 to March 1 Wellington District has 25 new Chapter members. I believe this is a record for Wellington District.

On my Official Visits I was very well received by all Chapters. I only hope the incoming Grand Superintendent will receive the co-operation I received from all Chapters in this District.

I have certainly enjoyed by term of office and wish the incoming Grand Superintendent every success for the coming year.

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 5

R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott

In submitting my report as the Grand Superintendent of Hamilton District No. 5 I do so with a feeling of humility and pride. The honor and privilege of representing the Grand First Principal in a district comprised of so many enthusiastic Royal Arch Masons was beyond my fondest hopes, and I sincerely trust that my efforts have met with the approval of all concerned.

Ex. Comp. Wilfred C. Steele performed the duties of District Secretary in a most conscientious and capable manner for which I am truly grateful.

At a meeting of the Ruling Principals in May, 1958, the following official visits were arranged:

Sept. 16—Hamilton Chapter No. 175.
Oct. 6—Keystone Chapter No. 224.
Oct. 14—White Oak Chapter No. 104.
Oct. 16—St. Clair Chapter No. 75.
Oct. 21—Ancaster Chapter No. 155.
Oct. 23—Caledonia Chapter No. 236.
Nov. 12—McKay Chapter No. 243.
Nov. 13—St. John's Chapter No. 6.
Nov. 28—The Hiram Chapter No. 2.

In each case I was accompanied by one of the other Chapters along with many visitors, and on every visit I was received in a manner which

showed the high regard and esteem in which the Grand First Principal is held.

The degree work performed throughout the district was of an exceptionally high quality.

On Sunday evening, November 16, 1958, all the Chapters joined with me in a District Divine Service in St. Paul's United Church in Hamilton when Rev. Fred M. Ellis, the minister of this my own church, preached the sermon. A splendid attendance of the Royal Arch Masons of the district made it a truly inspiring evening.

During my term of office I had the happy privilege of attending and assisting the Grand Chapter in the dedication of three Chapter rooms, two of which were in my own District. These were as follows:

June 19—St. Clair Chapter No. 75, Milton.
June 23—Centennial Chapter No. 260, Streetsville.
Oct. 8—McKay Chapter No. 243, Stoney Creek.

Other meetings of note included a Mark Degree at Ancaster Chapter in May which was conferred by a team composed entirely of members of a Calder family, a feat rather unique in Masonry; a visit to the Lodge of Strict Observance in Hamilton in September when M. Ex. Comp. Fred Dean and Rt. Ex. Comp. Albert Jarvis were honored for their appointments in the Grand Lodge; a Chapter of instruction on the Holy Royal Arch Degree in Hugh Murray Chapter, Fort Erie, which was conducted by Rt. Ex. Comp. Reg. Lewis, the Grand Lecturer; and Grand Chapter Night in Occident Chapter No. 77 on October 10.

I also attended and assisted in most of the installations in the District and was honored in being asked to represent Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith on the Grand Council at the installation ceremony in Centennial Chapter.

Another privilege I enjoyed was that of presenting five fifty year medals to members of The Hiram Chapter No. 2.

During the year this District and Royal Arch Masonry in general suffered a grevious loss in the deaths of Most Ex. Comp. John Alexander Macdonald Taylor and Rt. Ex. Comp. William J. Shaw. The memory of their character and their contributions to Masonry will remain with us for many years to come.

All in all it was a memorable and most enjoyable year and I can assure the Grand Chapter that the future of Royal Arch Masonry in Hamilton looks very bright and promising indeed.

I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to all the members of Grand Chapter and to the members of Hamilton District No. 5 for their generosity and many kindnesses during my term of office and to wish my successor, whoever he may be, all the joy and happiness that accompanies a year of unselfish effort.

HURON DISTRICT No. 6

Rt. Ex. Comp. Rev. Alexander K. Campbell

As my tensure of office as Grand Superintendent draws to a close it is with great pleasure that I submit my report on the conditions and activities of Royal Arch Masonry in Huron District No. 6.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Principals and Past Principals of Huron District for the honor they have conferred upon St. James Chapter No. 46, St. Marys, and for the confidence placed in me in unanimously electing me to the high office of Grand Superintendent; and also to the Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, for his confirmation of my election at the one hundredth Convocation of Grand Chapter, I am deeply and sincerely grateful.

My first pleasant duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. David C. White as my Secretary, and to him I am deeply indebted for the splendid manner

in which he fulfilled his duties appertaining to that office, thereby making my visits more pleasant.

On all my visits I was received with dignity and respect as the representative of the M. Ex. the Grand First Principal. I was favorably impressed with the type of candidates who sought exaltation in the Chapters. The growing proportion of younger members as officers is one of the most encouraging to be found and promises well for continued high standards in the work in coming years. Only one Chapter failed to exemplify work on my visits.

Throughout the District I was impressed with the following favorable aspects: an attitude of co-operation and loyalty to Grand Chapter; a definite preparation and endeavour on the part of the officers to confer the degrees accurately and impressively; continued guidance and assistance being given to the constituent Chapters by Past Principals and Past Grand Superintendents; a large number of new members qualified by age and ability to give valuable assistance and enterprising leadership when the opportunity or need arises.

I have urged the Chapters to provide supplemental Masonic instruction with regards to historical background, symbolism and moral lessons in each degree. During my visits I have stressed the need for an active membership committee. At all Convocations I endeavored to assist with such advice and instruction as was deemed necessary. I have suggested exchange visits between Chapters that the Companions may become better acquainted. It is our hope to have a Principals' Association organized in the near future.

My official visits were as follows with the degree conferred:

May 21—Havelock Chapter No. 63, Kincardine—R.A.
May 23—Tecumseh Chapter No. 24, Stratford—R.A.
June 3—Elliot Chapter No. 129, Mitchell—R.A.
June 10—Lucknow Chapter No. 147, Lucknow—M.M.M.
June 16—The Malloch Chapter No. 66, Seaforth—R.A.
June 17—Huron Chapter No. 30, Goderich—R.A.
Sept. 8—St. James Chapter No. 46, St. Marys—M.M.M.
Sept. 16—Lebanon Chapter No. 84, Wingham—R.A.
Oct. 7—Chantry Chapter No. 130, Southampton—No Degree.
Nov. 4—Bernard Chapter No. 146, Listowel—M.M.M.

I shall retain cherished memories of the following visits made during my term on special invitations:

May 28—St. John's Chapter No. 3, London, when Rt. Ex. Comp. John Gough was accorded a welcome to his Chapter following his election as Grand Superintendent of London District No. 2.

May 30—St. George's Chapter No. 5, London, when Lebanon Chapter No. 84, Wingham, conferred the R.A. Degree.

October 16—Mount Horeb No. 20, Brantford, when Rt. Ex. Comp. Ernest Webber made his official visit.

November 8—Sombra Chapter No. 153, Wallaceburg, when a Convocation of Grand Chapter was held for the purpose of dedicating their Chapter room.

It was a great pleasure for me to present on behalf of the Grand First Principal three fifty year Companion jewels. On September 29 a number journeyed to London to the home of Comp. W. J. Atkinson, a member of St. James Chapter No. 46, St. Marys, to present him with his jewel. On December 5 in Tecumseh Chapter No. 24, Stratford, it was my happy task to present jewels to Ex. Comp. H. W. Baker and Comp. H. G. Rankin.

On September 5 a very successful Chapter of Instruction was held in St. Marys with nine Chapters in the District represented. Rt. Ex. Comp. Reginald Lewis, Grand Lecturer, was the guest instructor and his knowledge of the work was enlightening to all present.

On September 28 our District Divine Service was held in First Presbyterian Church, St. Marys, with the Grand Superintendent occupying his own pulpit and giving the address.

The highlight of the year was the visit of M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle to St. Marys on November 12 where a District reception was held. His message was an inspiration to the Royal Arch Masons of Huron District. The influence of his visit will be felt for many years. He was accompanied by the Grand Scribe E., Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson, and the Grand Lecturer, Rt. Ex. Comp. Reginald Lewis.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve Huron District, and I shall always cherish the happy memories of my year of service. The year has carried with it honor, work and has led to a study of Royal Arch Masonry as I prepared my lectures to the various Chapters, which has been most illuminating. The warmth of fraternal feeling has been most stimulating. It has brought new meaning to fraternal associations which have been in existence for years and added many new friends. Permit me to close with the words of that old familiar hymn.

Rise up, O men of GOD!
His kingdom tarries long;
Bring in the day of BROTHERHOOD,
And end the night of wrong.

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 7

R. Ex. Comp. John A. Bell

I have the honor and pleasure of presenting my report on Royal Arch Masonry in Niagara District No. 7.

First I wish to thank the Principals and Companions of this District for the honor they conferred on Hugh Murray Chapter and on myself in electing me to this high office, and to M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle for confirming my election.

Ex. Comp. Charles S. Boyd has acted as my District Secretary, and I am deeply indebted to him for his kind and ready assistance at all times.

One of the several highlights of the year was a Chapter of Instruction held at Hugh Murray Chapter on June 10 at which Rt. Ex. Comp. Reginald A. Lewis was present. The Royal Arch Degree was conferred by the Officers of Hugh Murray Chapter under the able direction of Ex Comp. R. E. Gardiner, Z., of the Chapter. There was a very large attendance representing the various Chapters of the District. At the conclusion of the degree Rt. Ex. Comp. Lewis addressed the gathering, giving a resume of the degree, emphasizing the uniformity of presentation as desired by the Grand Executive. Much interest was invoked and many favorable comments were expressed on the appropriateness of his remarks.

On September 21 a District Church Service was held in Knox Presbyterian Church, Fort Erie. Very Ex. Comp. E. C. McCullagh preached the sermon, his text being, "The Stone which the builders rejected." There was again a very good attendance, and the sermon made a deep impression on all. Contributing most effectively to the service was a Masonic choir, which was assisted by Mrs. R. Fickle as soloist. She is the daughter of Ex. Comp. Boyd, my District Secretary.

Another highlight on October 29 was the fall meeting of the Principals' Association at Port Colborne, on which occasion we were honored by the presence of M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, Grand Z., Rt. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, Grand J., Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson, Grand Scribe E., and Rt. Ex. Comp. Reginald A. Lewis, Grand Lecturer. The address given by the Grand Z. will long be remembered by the large number of Companions in attendance. Brief but welcome talks by the other Grand Chapter Officers were given.

I visited each Chapter at least twice during the year, and the following were my official visits:

Oct. 1—Wilson Chapter No. 64, Welland.
Oct. 3—Niagara Chapter No. 55, Niagara-on-the-Lake.
Oct. 10—Mount Moriah Chapter No. 19, St. Catharines.
Oct. 17—Mount Nebo Chapter No. 76, Niagara Falls.
Oct. 20—McCallum Chapter No. 29, Dunnville.
Oct. 27—Smithville Chapter No. 240, Smithville.
Nov. 3—Grimsby Chapter No. 69, Grimsby.
Nov. 6—King Hiram Chapter No. 57, Port Colborne.
Nov. 11—Hugh Murray Chapter No. 184, Fort Erie.

I was received with dignity and respect everywhere I went. Degrees were conferred by all Chapters except one, the work on the whole being very creditably performed. There seemed to be a warm spirit of harmony and good fellowship in every Chapter.

On December 15 Ex. Comp. C. S. Boyd, Ex. Comp. C. Hanna and I journeyed to Dunnville where I had the honor of representing the Grand First Principal in presenting Rt. Ex. Comp. J. E. Yocom with his 50-year Jewel, and Very Ex. Comp. F. H. Howe with his 25-year Past Principal's jewel.

To the many Rt. Ex. and Very Ex. Companions, to the Past and present Principals, and all the Companions of the District who have made my term so pleasant and rewarding I tender my sincere thanks and trust they will give the same kindly advice and staunch support to my successor.

TORONTO DISTRICT No. 8

Frederick F. Mills, Grand Superintendent

The completion of my term of office is rapidly approaching; it has been a great honor to represent the M. Ex. the Grand First Principal, to whom I extended my sincere thanks for confirming by election and to the Companions of District No. 8 for the honor they conferred upon me and through me to the Beaches Chapter No. 163., which is celebrating its fiftieth year.

I appointed Ex. Comp. Ernie Bath of my own Chapter as Secretary. He has been of great assistance to me in every possible manner and accompanied me on all visits of Inspection and to nearly all other functions.

On my official visits of Inspection all Chapters were visited. I was properly received and cordially welcomed as the representative of the Grand First Principal.

In June I attended the consecration and dedication of Centennial Chapter at Streetsville and the dedication of the Chapter at Milton. Three Grand Chapter nights were attended, The St. Patricks, St. Pauls and Occident. With the exception of three Chapters all installation ceremonies were attended. At Aurora Chapter I had the pleasure of investing V. Ex. Comp. W. F. Boaks with his regalia as Grand Steward.

The Royal Arch Welfare continues to carry out their excellent work and are to be congratulated for the time and effort given by so many Companions to this essential part of Capitular Masonry.

All meetings of the Principals' Association were attended and at the November meeting it was my privilege to speak on the conditions of Royal Arch Masonry in the District.

On the evening of February 26 a reception was tendered to the M. Ex. the Grand First Principal by the two Toronto Districts, Ulster Chapter No. 219 host Chapter. This was a memorable evening, the Grand Council, Past Grand Z.'s and many Grand Chapter Officers being present.

The ruling Principals of all the Chapters are keenly interested in membership and are striving to perfect their work in order to create that impression that should be made on all candidates, thereby inducing them to become actively interested in Royal Arch Masonry.

The Ruling Principals' Group are very active, visiting with other Chapters, taking part in the ceremonies and have developed a warm Masonic friendship throughout the District and have under consideration visitations to Chapters in other Districts which should help to create enthusiasm in and for Royal Arch Masonry.

The work of the S. E.'s is worthy of mention; their duties are many and of considerable importance to the Chapters. All the books were well kept, and all information requested was readily available.

To Rt. Ex. Comps. Fred Johnson and Reg. Lewis my thanks for their advice and assistance when it was required. To Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred Schytte, Past Grand Superintendent, his Secretary, V. Ex. Comp. James Turnbull, my thanks for advice and guidance. To Rt. Ex. Comp. Hyatt McClure, Grand Superintendent of District No. 8A, for the pleasant association with him during the past year, and to all the Principals and Companions of District No. 8 my heartfelt thanks for the warmth of the friendliness shown to myself and my Secretary.

TORONTO DISTRICT No. 8A

R. Ex. Comp. J. Hyatt McClure

As my term of office as Grand Superintendent draws to a close I would first like to thank Toronto District No. 8A for electing me to this high office on April 28, 1958, and secondly to M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle for confirming the same.

It has truly been a great honor and trust you conferred in me and I hope that in some small way I have been worthy of that confidence you bestowed in me.

Throughout the year it has been an inspiration to go about the Chapters and be so graciously received as the representative of the Grand First Principal. I have felt a strength of fraternal fellowship in the R.A. Chapters that made my heart warm with a wish to return again. The personal friendships that I have made will not be forgotten. My enthusiasm for R.A. Masonry runs very high and I wonder why a man is satisfied with only being a man and not seeking further light.

May I make special mention of those Grand Chapter Officers with whom I have associated with. They gave their assistance and counsel to my many problems arising from time to time during the year.

It was my pleasure to appoint Ex. Comp. William T. Sanderson as my Secretary. He accompanied me on all my official visits and many other occasions and was a very great assistance to me in inspecting the Chapter books.

My first duty on June 9 was to call a District meeting in the College Street Temple and make full arrangements for the official visits and the Schools of Instruction. My Secretary and I were properly and cordially received on these dates:

Oct. 1—Oakwood No. 233—M.M.M.
Oct. 7—Mount Sinai No. 212—M.E.M.
Oct. 9—St. Clair No. 231—M.M.M.
Oct. 14—Shekinah No. 138—M.E.M.
Oct. 15—Lebanon No. 220—M.M.M.
Oct. 17—Humber No. 246—M.E.M.
Oct. 20—Toronto Antiquity No. 91—R.A.M.
Oct. 27—Centennial No. 260—M.E.M.
Oct. 28—Port Credit No. 230—M.E.M.
Nov. 4—Peel Chapter No. 195—R.A.M.
Nov. 5—Mimico No. 215—R.A.M.
Nov. 14—Occident No. 77—M.M.M.
Nov. 19—King Cyrus No. 232—M.E.M.
Nov. 27—Ulster No. 219—R.A.M.

Schools of Instruction were arranged. On February 4 Mimico Chapter 215 conferred a most excellent degree in a very impressive and

pleasing manner which was very instructive to witness. There was a good attendance and also a good representation from other Chapters in the District.

On February 23, 1959, Centennial Chapter No. 260 held the second school. The Principals' Council asked the privilege to confer the Mark Degree. It proved to be a degree of perfection in every detail according to the ritual and manual of Instruction. The officers were well prepared and rehearsed and were a credit to Capitulary Masonry.

Peel Chapter No. 195 will confer the R.A.M. degree on March 31, 1959.

During my term of office it was my privilege to represent Toronto District 8A in Wilson District No. 3, Hamilton District No. 5 and Wellington District No. 4, which proved to be happy occasions.

On November 9 the District 8A Divine Church Service was held in Brampton Presbyterian Church with Rev. Bro. Lochard Royal of Norval the guest speaker and Rev. Bro. William Weir assisting. There was a good attendance of the District Companions.

On February 26 Ulster Chapter No. 219 turned their Chapter room over to the Toronto Districts 8 and 8A who jointly held a reception and dinner to the Grand Z., M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle. He was accompanied by M. Ex. Comp John M. Burden, Past Grand Z., Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith, Grand H., Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles Emmett, Grand J., Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson, Grand Scribe E., Rt. Ex. Comp. Reginald Lewis, Grand Lecturer.

It is my sincere desire to see R.A. Masonry progress in membership and enthusiasm. I have tried to stress this throughout the District. One of the ways I believe to create greater enthusiasm is to interest the new member in giving certain portions of the work. This interest will provide officers in the future to bring in new candidates.

May my successor have the same kind hand of fellowship and support as I have received from 8A during the past year.

It is with regret that at the closing of my year my Secretary, Ex. Comp. William Thomas Sanderson, passed to the Great Beyond on March 19, 1959. He served his country well in peace and war as a craftsman and a faithful Companion.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9

Rt. Ex. Comp. G. O. Smith

This report on the condition and activities of Royal Arch Masonry in Georgian District No. 9 is submitted in grateful recognition of the honor conferred upon me and Signet Chapter No. 34 in my election as Grand Superintendent. To the Past and Present Principals I would like to express my appreciation for the confidence placed in me. I would also like to convey my thanks to M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle for confirming my election.

Ex. Comp. F. Churchill graciously assumed the duties of District Secretary and Ex. Comp. B. Lamont accepted the duties of District Chaplain. To these, my official escort, I am deeply in debt for their co-operation, companionship and support through all the activities in Georgian District. To the many Companions who visited throughout the District in the various Chapters I would also like to express my appreciation.

A reception by Signet Chapter at the first regular meeting after Grand Chapter Assembly will long be remembered. Past Grand Chapters Officers and members from District Chapters were present when the Grand Principal Sojourner and I received many expressions of congratulations and support.

A lodge of instruction was held in Manitou Chapter, Collingwood, on June 25. All Chapters in the district were represented by officers and Past Grand Chapter Officers. Current suggestions of the Grand Chapter

were presented and well received. Specific parts of the ritualistic work were exemplified and then discussed. Questions pertaining to the symbolic parts of each degree were also presented and explained. An agenda for the official visits of the Grand Superintendent was also agreed upon which was later distributed to the membership. The District also expressed a desire to have M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle attend a District reception to be held in Barrie.

On October 25 a District reception to honor our Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Maurice Searle, was held in the Masonic Temple Building, Barrie. Approximately 75 Companions and brethren, representatives of the District, were present at the banquet and reception where they had the pleasure of hearing a most inspiring address by our Grand First Principal. This district was also honored by having the Grand Third Principal, Rt. Ex. Comp. Chas. Emmett; Grand Scribe E., Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson; Grand Principal Sojourner, Rt. Ex. Comp. R. A. Stewart; and the Grand Lecturer, Rt. Ex. Comp. Reg. Lewis, present. These eminent leaders of our order added greatly to the inspiration and success of this District reception.

The following schedule of official visits was arranged and completed:

Oct. 10—Couchiching Chapter No. 198, Orillia.
Oct. 14—Signet Chapter No. 34, Barrie.
Nov. 18—Georgian Chapter No. 56, Owen Sound.
Jan. 15—Amabel Chapter No. 131, Wiarton.
Feb. 9—Kichikewana Chapter No. 167, Midland.
Feb. 11—Manitou Chapter No. 27, Collingwood.

On each occasion of my visits of inspection as the representative of the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal a most cordial and warm reception was extended. Degree work was presented on each occasion and this was conferred in a creditable and impressive manner. As each Chapter in this District is fortunate to have active and interested Past District Superintendents it is natural to see this interest conveyed to their particular group. Each Chapter in its own particular way has been striving to promote the interests and welfare of our order.

A meeting was held with representatives from Parry Sound area at Couchiching Chapter regarding a new Chapter in that area. Suggestions and procedure to be established were discussed with a promise of additional help and guidance when required. There appears to be considerable enthusiasm in this area which should be followed up in the future.

On December 27 I was privileged to be asked to address the members and visitors of Orillia Lodge at their Installation and Investiture of officers. Ex. Comp. Sansom, a Past Principal of Couchiching Chapter, was elevated to the chair of King Solomon.

On January 14 it was a real pleasure to be present at St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter in Toronto for the Installation and Investiture of officers and Grand Chapter night. With the Grand Council and other Grand Chapter officers taking part this solemn ceremony proved to be one of the visiting highlights of the year.

In conclusion I would like to express my thanks for the spirit of support and co-operation extended to me. This support has been unselfishly given by Grand Chapter officers and members of the constituent Chapters in this District. Their assistance has made this year a memorable one.

To my successor I offer my co-operation, loyalty and support in the knowledge that his year will again be a most rewarding adventure.

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 10

R. Ex. Comp. E. J. Barrowclough

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in Ontario District No. 10.

In making this report I am afforded an opportunity to express my

real appreciation of the honor which the Companions of this District conferred upon me and Victoria Chapter No. 37, Port Hope, in electing me Grand Superintendent and to the M. Ex. the Grand First Principal for his confirmation of the same.

My first pleasant duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. C. Percy McElroy as my Secretary. To him I wish to extend my sincere thanks for his loyal assistance and co-operation throughout the year.

Following is a list of all the Chapters in the District, with the dates, on which I officially inspected them:

Sept. 10—Warkworth Chapter No. 110, Warkworth.
Oct. 7—Pentalpha Chapter No. 28, Oshawa.
Oct. 10—Victoria Chapter No. 37, Port Hope.
Oct. 15—King Darius Chapter No. 134, Cannington.
Oct. 20—Palestine Chapter No. 249, Bowmanville.
Oct. 28—St. John's Chapter No. 48, Cobourg.
Nov. 10—Keystone Chapter No. 35, Whitby.
Nov. 17—Ionic Chapter No. 168, Campbellford.
Nov. 20—Midland Chapter No. 94, Lindsay.
Nov. 26—Corinthian Chapter No. 36, Peterborough.
Dec. 5—Excelsior Chapter No. 45, Colborne.

I am happy to report that on every visit I received the most cordial fraternal welcome as the representative of the Grand First Principal. All the Chapters conferred a degree in my presence and the work was most impressively demonstrated. The Officers as a whole appear to be taking a keen interest in their work and the Companions actively supported them.

During my year I have visited all the Chapters twice and some more.

On June 20 I was invited, along with my Secretary, to attend the annual picnic of Corinthian Chapter No. 36, Peterborough, held at Youngs Point. It was an evening spent in good fellowship and will long bring pleasant memories to my mind.

On my visit to St. John's Chapter I had the honor on behalf of St. John's Chapter to present V. Ex. Comp. Archie Bowman, Grand Steward, a Royal Arch Mason for sixty-one years, with his Grand Chapter regalia. At the same Chapter at a later date I presented, on behalf of Grand Chapter, Ex. Comp. Walter Bates of The Hiram Chapter No. 2, Hamilton, with a fifty year bar to his Past Principal's Jewel.

On a visit to Midland Chapter No. 94, Lindsay, I also had the honor on behalf of that Chapter to present V. Ex. Comp. George McCombe, Grand Master of the Second Veil, with his Grand Chapter regalia. At this same Convocation on behalf of Grand Chapter I presented Ex. Comp. A. M. Fulton with a fifty year bar to his Past Principal Jewel.

On November 26 at Corinthian Chapter No. 36 on behalf of Grand Chapter I presented Ex. Comp. A. J. Throop with his twenty-five year Past Principal's Jewel.

At Victoria Chapter No. 37 I presented V. Ex. Comp. Harry Mitchell with a twenty-five year Past Principal Jewel and fifty years Jewels to Comp. Norman Yeo and Ex. Comp. Harry H. Holdaway.

On March 17 my Secretary and myself were invited to Ionic Chapter No. 168, Campbellford, to join with them in celebrating their fifty year birthday. The M. Ex. the Grand First Principal and other Grand Chapter Officers were in attendance, also Companions from the other Chapters in the District. It was one of the big nights in this District.

It was gratifying to find that the books of the Scribes E. and Treasurers were well kept up to date, and also the Book of Marks.

At all Chapters I stressed the need and importance of new membership and the need to appoint only Companions who are willing to work on the Membership Committee.

In conclusion I wish to thank all of the Ex. First Principals and

Scribes E. for their courtesy, the Officers and Companions of the various Chapters for the very fine support. The past year is one that I will not soon forget because it has been my lot to make many new friends.

To my successor I extend good wishes and support. May I bespeak for him the same co-operation I have enjoyed.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 11

R. Ex. Comp. Ivan Caldwell

I have the honor of presenting my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in Prince Edward District No. 11.

May I first extend my sincere thanks to the Present and Past Principals of my own Chapter, Keystone No. 72, for nominating me to the office of Grand Superintendent, to the Principals, Past and Present, of the District who attended Grand Chapter in Toronto last April and elected me to this high and important office and to the Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, for confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Walter Warren as my Secretary. He accompanied me on all my official visits and greatly assisted me by examining all the books and records of the different Chapters.

My next duty was to notify the Chapters in the District officially of my election and proceed with the arrangement of a schedule of official visits. In this I was greatly assisted by the District Principals' Association who invited me to hold a school of instruction at their regular meeting on May 30. All the Chapters were represented at this meeting and I conveyed to them the instructions I received from Grand Chapter. Many questions were discussed and explained with regard to the various degrees.

The following schedule of official visits were arranged and completed:

June 18—Mount Sinai No. 44, Napanee.
Sept. 16—Presqui'lle No. 144, Brighton.
Sept. 22—Madoc No. 161, Madoc.
Oct. 20—Prince Edward No. 31, Picton.
Oct. 21—St. Mark's No. 26, Trenton.
Nov. 4—Moira No. 7, Belleville.
Dec. 8—Quinte Friendship No. 227, Belleville.
Dec. 29—Keystone No. 72, Stirling.

District Divine Service, St. John's Anglican Church, Stirling, September 14.

I visited every Chapter twice and had the pleasure of visiting some of them three or four times.

At each of my official visits I was properly and most cordially received. At each visit a degree was conferred and all other Chapter work carried on in an efficient manner. I find that the Past Principals are assisting with the lectures, which is commendable as it helps to keep up their interest in their Chapter.

The Officers in this District are sincere and conscientious in their work and eager to adapt suggestions offered by Grand Chapter in the manner of obtaining uniformity in degree work. The new manual issued by Grand Chapter has proved very helpful.

One of the highlights of the Masonic year for our District was the official visit to Prince Edward Chapter No. 31, Picton, of the Grand Council of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, the Grand Z. M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, the Grand H. Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith, the Grand J. Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, the Grand Chaplain Rt. Ex. Rev. Harold W. Pointen.

At the supper hour a banquet was served at the County Centre. Approximately one hundred Masons were present and heard an inspiring address by the Grand Z. At the conclusion of the banquet all retired to the Masonic Hall where the regular Convocation was held. The highlight of this part of the evening's program was the presentation by Rt. Ex.

Comp. Bruce H. Smith, Grand H., of a suit of Grand Chapter regalia to Very Ex. Comp. William T. Havery, who was recently appointed Grand Senior Sojourner.

On May 20 I attended the funeral of the late Rt. Ex. Comp. Thomas W. Solmes, who had been for many years Scribe E. of Keystone Chapter No. 72, Stirling.

One June 21 I attended Quinte Friendship Chapter when St. George's Chapter, London, were their guests and conferred the Royal Arch degree. At this Convocation the regalia of a Grand Director of Ceremonies was presented to Very Ex. Comp. R. D. Adams by Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith, Grand H.

District Divine Service was held on Sunday, September 14, in St. John's Anglican Church, Stirling, Rev. Russell Gale, rector. It was very gratifying to see so many Chapters of the District represented.

I had the pleasure of attending several of the Chapters on the night of their annual installation and investiture of officers, one of which was at Picton where the Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, the Grand Second Principal Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith and the Grand Lecturer Rt. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis assisted.

I also attended the joint installation of the Moira and the Quinte Friendship Chapters of Belleville. Joint installations have become traditional with these two Chapters.

In conclusion I offer to each Chapter my best wishes for their future success and express my very deep feeling of gratification to all Chapters for the kindness and co-operation which has been extended to me. This has been a constant source of inspiration and has done much towards enabling me to give to the District the best possible service.

I extend congratulations to my successor and bespeak for him the same co-operation and kindnesses I have enjoyed and assure him of my support at any time.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 12

R. Ex. Comp. Donald H. Robertson

In submitting this report to Grand Chapter I would like to include an expression of my appreciation to the Chapters in St. Lawrence District No. 12 for having elected me to the office of Grand Superintendent. I wish to express my thanks to M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle for confirming my appointment as such.

I am deeply indebted to Ex. Comp. Tom Parker, who assisted me as my Secretary and was with me on all official visits. The advice and help I had from my predecessor, Rt. Ex. Comp. Bob Armstrong, of Covenant Chapter, Cornwall, made my work quite simple.

A lodge of instruction was held at St. Johns Chapter in Morrisburg on June 25, 1958, and the attendance from all Chapters was gratifying. A District church service was held in Morrisburg on October 5, 1958, at the United Church. We were favored with a lovely fall day and a large gathering met at the Morrisburg Temple at 10.00 o'clock for coffee, after which we paraded to the church for service at 11.00 o'clock. Rev. Maxwell Allen delivered an appropriate and specially prepared sermon which was well received.

On the occasion of my official visits I was received with dignity and respect as the representative of the Grand First Principal. Visits were made on the following dates:

Oct. 14—Grenville Chapter No. 22, Prescott.
Oct. 15—Covenant Chapter No. 113, Cornwall.
Oct. 28—Leeds Chapter No. 132, Gananoque.
Nov. 3—Sussex St. Lawrence Chapter No. 59, Brockville.
Nov. 13—Maitland Chapter No. 68, Kempville.
Nov. 21—Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui Chapter No. 1, Kingston.
Dec. 15—St. Johns Chapter No. 112, Morrisburg.

Without exception, the officers fulfilled their duties in a satisfactory and capable manner.

At all my visits I discussed membership and attendance. I talked of the necessity of organization in the business of running the Chapter, stressing that the Chapter start promptly on time, that the work be arranged and divided to take in as many Companions and Ex. Companions as possible and that the agenda of the meeting be prepared in advance, avoiding as far as possible lengthy and unnecessary discussions, my suggestion that a tidy meeting starting on time with a division of work snappily executed followed by a planned social hour would increase attendance and subsequently membership.

The highlight of my tenure of office was the visit of M. Ex. Comp. Maurice Searle and his Grand Chapter Officers on November 17, 1958. They visited with us on the occasion of the dedication of the new Temple for St. Johns Chapter No. 112, Morrisburg.

The program commenced with a banquet where we were favored with a most interesting and inspiring address by M. Ex. Companion Searle. At 8.15 p.m. the Grand Chapter Officers met in the new Temple and the huge gathering was privileged to experience an impressive dedication ceremony performed by Grand Chapter Officers.

I was especially pleased that I had the honor of being the Grand Superintendent of this District in the year our new Temple was dedicated.

A summary of my thoughts in conclusion would be that Capitular Masonry in St. Lawrence District is active but suffering in a highly competitive race with other social and civil organizations for men's time. To hold our own we've got to be alert and think about our Chapter as we would a business and plan and organize our work to be of interest to all.

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 13

R. Ex. Comp. J. Russell Howie

It is an honor as well as a pleasure to present my report as Grand Superintendent of the Ottawa District No. 13 for the year 1958.

First may I say to the Companions of the District who so kindly elected me to this important office how much I appreciate and thank them for their confidence and good will, and also the M. Ex. the Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, for confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Arthur G. Humphries as my Secretary. He accompanied me on my visits and performed his duties efficiently and conscientiously and hence has duly merited any honor that may be conferred on him.

On May 28 a meeting of Past and Present Principals representative of all Chapters of the District was held in Ottawa. Ways and means of increasing membership, improving attendance and stimulating interest were discussed. Plans were completed for the holding of a Chapter of Instruction and a committee was named to organize a Principals' Association.

I appreciate the co-operation of present and past Grand Chapter Officers as well as that of the officers and Companions of the Chapters that it was my privilege to visit. Together we have worked zealously and earnestly to promote Royal Arch Masonry throughout the District.

My visits of inspection were as follows:

Sept. 5—Kitchener Chapter No. 210, Russell.
Sept. 18—Laurentain Chapter No. 151, Pembroke.
Sept. 26—Glengarry Chapter No. 143, Maxville.
Oct. 3—St. Johns Chapter No. 148, Vanleek Hill.
Oct. 9—Granite Chapter No. 61, Almonte.
Oct. 16—Prince of Wales Chapter No. 226, Perth.
Nov. 3—Dochert Chapter No. 248, Arnprior.
Nov. 5—Maple Chapter No. 116, Carleton Place.

Nov. 17—Bonnechere Chapter No. 114, Renfrew.
Nov. 19—Carleton Chapter No. 16, Ottawa.
Nov. 21—St. Francis Chapter No. 133, Smiths Falls.
Nov. 27—Ottawa Chapter No. 222, Ottawa.

We are still trying to revive interest in Dochert Chapter No. 248. Let us hope that with continued effort this Chapter may take its place among the prosperous Chapters of the Ottawa District.

A District Divine Service was held on October 19 under the auspices of Ottawa Chapter No. 222. There was a gratifying attendance representative of all District Chapters. The Companions joined with the congregation of Wesley United Church whose minister is Dr. H. W. Pointen, our Grand Chaplain. Dr. Pointen preached an eloquent and forceful sermon on "The Keystone of Today."

I enjoyed visiting outside the Ottawa District, namely, to our St. Lawrence District and to Montreal District No. 1 G.R.Q. I conveyed greetings from the Grand Chapter and our Grand First Principal to a number of Craft Lodges in the Ottawa District. I am pleased to report several inter-Chapter visits in District No. 13 as well as with Chapters in two neighboring Districts. These visits increased interest, developed friendships and generally promoted that fraternal goodwill which so truly characterized Royal Arch Masonry.

When I visited Charleton Chapter No. 16 I had the extreme pleasure of seeing a group of twenty brethren exalted to the Holy Royal Arch Degree. The work was exceptionally well done.

On Friday, February 20, St. Francis Chapter No. 133, Smiths Falls, had the honor to receive M. Ex. Comp. Searle on the occasion of presenting him with a certificate as Honorary Member. This meeting was well attended by representatives of the Various Chapters of the District. Our Grand First Principal has done much to add impetus and enthusiasm to Royal Arch Masonry in the Ottawa District.

In conclusion may I again thank all the Past and Present Principals and Companions of Ottawa District and especially my predecessor in office for their splendid co-operation.

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 14

R. Ex. Comp. George Neill

In presenting my report on the condition of Algoma District No. 14 as Grand Superintendent I look back over the year and trust that during my term of office I may have in some small measure rendered a service of value to Capitular Masonry. At the same time added to my circle of friends many fine Companions.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Chapters of the District for the honor they have conferred upon me in electing me their Grand Superintendent, also the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal for confirming the same.

Immediately following my electioin I appointed Ex. Comp. M. W. Pearce as my District Secretary, and I extend to him my sincere thanks for the capable manner in which he performed his duties.

My first and most pleasant duty was to meet the Grand First Principal and his escort at the station in Port Arthur on September 26. After a short rest period in their hotel we were graced with their presence at a joint convocation of Shuniah Chapter No. 82 and Fort William Chapter No. 140. Their meeting with the Companions in the Temple was a joy and an inspiration.

The following day, September 27, a cavalcade left Fort William and Port Arthur and headed by the Grand First Principal, the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand Lecturer for the purpose of presenting the charter and dedicating and consecrating Quetico Chapter No. 259 at Atikokan. The journey to and from this Chapter was most pleasant, first, as one must travel through a beautiful part of the province, and, secondly, we had with

us three of the most interesting fellow Companions one would wish to meet in the persons of our Grand First Principal, the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand Lecturer. We travelled 135 miles each way and with such company it seemed only a little way.

The presentation of the charter, the dedication and consecration of the Chapter were in charge of the M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand Lecturer.

On the morning of the third day, September 28, we held a District Church Service. Immediately following the service a short school of instruction was arranged in the Temple in Port Arthur at which time Rt. Ex. Comp. Reg. Lewis took charge.

On October 10 I made a visit to Duluth, Minn., U.S.A., with 32 other Companions from both Chapters at the Lake Head and under special dispensation to exemplify the Canadian M.M.M. I felt greatly honored when asked by the Ex. Comp. of Shuniah Chapter, Ghris Seal, to be the principal speaker for the evening, taking for my subject "The Practice of Brotherhood."

My visits to the various Chapters in this District were as follows:

Oct. 14—Fort Frances Chapter No. 152 and Rainy River No. 149, jointly.
Oct. 6—Fort William Chapter No. 140.
Oct. 22—Golden Chapter No. 90.
Nov. 10—Quetico Chapter No. 259.
Nov. 17—Golden Star Chapter No. 254.
Jan. 21, 1959—Shuniah Chapter No. 82.

I would like to bring to the attention of all those interested in Royal Arch Masonry that Algoma District is widely separated and a long way from any other District in the province. To attend only once the seven Chapters of Algoma No. 14 it is necessary to travel 3,200 miles. This, in my opinion, does not lend any help to Royal Arch Masonry in this District and makes it almost impossible to visit each Chapter more than once in each year.

During my visits throughout the district I experienced poor attendance and seems quite general. This I believe is caused by a lack of interest generally speaking and can lead to a serious situation if Royal Arch Masonry is neglected in this District.

The District as a whole is not completely healthy if even one of its constituents Chapters is in difficulty. Inter-Chapter visits, exchange of work and interesting talks are highly recommended as means of creating enthusiasm in the great work.

In closing I would like to take this opportunity of thanking those Officers and Companions who assisted me during my year. It was greatly appreciated. To my successor, whoever he may be, may I offer my wholehearted co-operation and assistance, and may his term of office be eventually satisfying as truly it can be.

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 15

R. Ex. Comp. W. Les Brown

Most Ex. Comp. Searle:

It has been a most interesting and stimulating experience to have been your representative in this District, namely, New Ontario District No. 15, for the year 1958.

I made my official visit to Algonquin Chapter No. 102 at Sault Ste. Marie on November 7. This was their regular Convocation, and I found, after my request to visit them on that date had been confirmed, that they confer degrees only at emergent Convocations. However, I was really impressed with the consideration for detail and at the same time the despatch in which they carried out the business of the Chapter.

I was certainly received and entertained in a manner due the representative of the Grand First Principal.

Although I was somewhat disappointed at not seeing the Chapter at degree work I can assure you, from several previous observations, that their work is faultless.

On November 14 I visited Espanola Chapter No. 257 at Espanola. This was one of the most satisfying of my visits in that they displayed a great desire to be informed of those minor details which would make their degree work as nearly perfect as possible. Most of their problems could have been answered by a careful study of the Manual of Instruction, but they wanted to be sure of the correct interpretation. They conferred the M.M.M. Degree.

A more enthusiastic Chapter would be hard to find, and their respect and cordiality for the Grand First Principal's representative left nothing to be desired.

Since I am reporting these events in chronological order I cannot omit the pleasure it was for me to be a part of your escort the following evening on November 15 at Tuscan Chapter.

St. John's arranged a rather special evening for my visit on December 4 and I can assure you that I was royally received and entertained.

I can report with conviction that the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in St. John's Chapter is of a high calibre.

I had some difficulty arranging a date for my visit to Tuscan Chapter No. 95 in Sudbury because of the Inco strike, but I finally visited there on December 9, and I must say that it was one of the highlights of my year as your representative.

They did not confer a degree, but having seen them at work on many previous occasions I know that the excellence of their work is such as is attained by few Chapters.

On all my visits I was accompanied and very ably assisted by the District Secretary, Ex. Comp. Arthur S. Haley. I greatly appreciated his co-operation and energy.

On each visitation I gave about a twenty-minute talk on Membership as it concerned Grand Chapter. I outlined the recommendations and proposals of the Membership Committee of Grand Chapter and added a few of my own where I thought it would be of local assistance.

I respectfully submit this report to you, Most Ex. Sir, and hereby certify that the condition of Capitular Masonry in New Ontario District No. 15 is, in my opinion, a very healthy one.

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 16

Rt. Ex. Comp. W. S. Lavery

The honor bestowed upon Temiskaming Chapter as well as the responsibility on myself by the Companions and Chapters of District No. 16 being chosen as the representative of the Grand First Principal for the 1958-59 term has been fully appreciated and our sincere thanks go to them. We also thank M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle for his most gracious confirmation of the election and for the subsequent advice, support and genuine friendship which he extended throughout the year.

To my Secretary, Ex. Comp. Harry C. Coull, whose efforts on behalf of myself and our Chapter District were untiring, plus many additional voluntary chores in an extremely pleasant but efficient manner.

To outline some of the activities of the year we began on Sunday afternoon, June 8, 1958, when a district meeting was held at Twin Lakes and all the Chapters of the District were represented by their senior officers, some accompanied by their wives. The ladies were entertained at tea in a nearby cottage while the Companions held a meeting to discuss plans for the Chapter year. The discussion was very fruitful and arrangements were made for the official visits and plans laid to hold three or more District meetings with tentative dates and locations agreed upon. It was a highly successful meeting and among other things provided an opportunity for the various councils to become acquainted with their

Grand Superintendent and each other. The meeting was followed by a buffet supper and since many of the Companions had a considerable distance to travel, from fifty to one hundred and fifty miles, the gathering broke up early.

The official visits were:

June 18—Northern Lights Chapter No. 213, Timmins.
June 25—Kirkland Lake Chapter No. 251, Kirkland Lake.
Sept. 11—Temiskaming Chapter No. 169, New Liskeard.
Sept. 23—Cobalt Chapter No. 203, Cobalt.
Sept. 24—Abitibi Chapter No. 223, Iroquois Falls.

On the occasion of all visits the reception was warm and friendly but dignified and all the formalities as befitting the representative of the Grand First Principal were observed.

On October 4 and 5 we were honored by a visit to District No. 16 by M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, accompanied by the Grand Lecturer, Rt. Ex. Comp. Reg. Lewis, for the purpose of holding a District meeting in Timmins. On the Saturday morning the party were privileged to visit the surface workings of the Aunor gold mine where the general manager, Comp. R. Finley, explained the process (a wish expressed by the Grand First Principal). Later the new, modern studios of CFCL-TV were visited where the president of the company, Mr. Conrad Lavigne, conducted us on a tour of the station.

The Chapter was opened at 8 p.m. Our Grand First Principal and his escort were received. The Mark Master degree was conferred with officers from all the Chapters taking part in a very capable manner. Our Grand First Principal addressed the Companions, who listened to and will long remember his inspiring message. He expressed his pleasure at being able to make the visit and was presented with a life membership in the Timmins Chapter. The District presented him with a small memento to mark the event. Ex. Comp. J. Ralph had the unusual privilege, in our district, of being presented with his 25 year Past Principal's Jewel by the Grand First Principal.

After the closing an enjoyable banquet was served and a program of entertainment completed the evening.

On Sunday morning, October 5, a well attended church parade was held. The Companions went to St. Matthew's Pro Cathedral where M. Ex. Comp. Searle read a lesson and Ex. Comp. F. Martel read the other. The service was taken by the Rev. Canon H. E. Taylor and the benediction given by the Bishop of Moosonee.

On the Sunday afternoon an informal meeting was held by the Grand Lecturer, R. Ex. Comp. R. Lewis, who gave us a small sample of what we could expect when he returns to hold a Chapter of Instruction on February 14, 1959, in Kirkland Lake.

The Timmins Chapter, who made all the arrangements for the weekend, did a thorough job in every detail and were given due thanks and commended by the Grand First Principal. All the active Chapters of the District were represented on all occasions.

On November 29, 1958, we held another District meeting in Kirkland Lake when the Tremoy Chapter of Noranda, Quebec, were present on a fraternal visit and put on the Royal Arch degree. In spite of a very stormy night with bad driving conditions all the active Chapters were represented and it was a well attended and profitable evening.

We are now looking forward to the Chapter of Instruction to be held in Kirkland Lake. The plans are in their final stages and we are expecting to have a worthwhile get-together and to come away wiser and better Chapter members.

We have the extremely unpleasant duty to report that the Cobalt Chapter are no longer able to carry on and we see no possibility of re-

viving it. Their local membership has fallen so low that it is numerically impossible for them to conduct meetings, and they have decided to wind up their affairs as soon as possible and surrender their charter. This decision was not an easy one to make but no alternative presented itself.

On the brighter side all the active Chapters report that they either have in hand or in prospect a busy year ahead and the future looks bright. In addition we are looking into the possibility of a new Chapter in the northwestern part of the District. Some preliminary work had already been done and we hope to have further progress to report before the coming Convocation of Grand Chapter meets. We must emphasize that this is strictly in the prospect stage and will most likely fall to the lot of our successor to finalize if found practical. We, at this time, offer him our wholehearted support and feel that the entire District will extend the same support and courtesy which we received.

Looking back it has been an eventful and satisfying year with the usual highlights. A year that inspires every confidence that Capitular Masonry has an expanding future in this north country if we can continue to get the right men to blaze the trails and make new Chapters come to life as the area provides the opportunities. There are new towns springing up and the older ones are growing faster with each passing day and Masonary has the chance to grow with them.

The privilege of serving in the position of Grand Superintendent of District No. 16 for the 1958-59 term has been a wonderful experience and has provided many pages for my book of memories to be leafed through in the years to come.

I would like to thank all those Companions who assisted in so many ways throughout the year and particularly the Companions of my own Chapter who did so much to make the year easier and most pleasant.

YUKON DISTRICT No. 17

Ex. Comp. J. W. Hoggan

Dear Sir and Companion:

I am a little late with my report, but being so close to the end of the year and being only the one Chapter to report on, I left it until they had their books made up for the year.

We have had a very successful year as you will see. There are four more applications in now so you see we are in for a busy year. There seems to be a trend to join the Royal Arch in the last year and we are getting more residents which will make it a lot nicer for the Chapters. In former years we had a lot of army and air force personnel who are on the move every couple of years.

We have had a very cold winter (you will remember our cold weather), but it has warmed up now and we are looking forward to nice weather.

EXCERPTS FROM THE GRAND MASTER'S REMARKS

Most Worshipful Bro. and R. Ex. Comp. Harry L. Martyn, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, expressed his thanks and appreciation for the kind welcome extended to him by M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle and the pleasing presentation and introduction by M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden.

He stated he still had pleasant memories of last year's One Hundredth Convocation, and he thought that from his observation at this Convocation we were on our way to establish a bigger record for our second century. He was very hopeful for the future of Royal Arch Masonry in the Province of Ontario, and was strong in his praise of the Officers who were carrying on the work of Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction.

The Grand Master was permitted to retire at the close of his address.

GRAND TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

April 6, 1959

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada:

Most Excellent Z. and Companions:

I submit herewith statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period March 1, 1958—February 28, 1959:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance—February 28, 1958		$ 8,589.25
Received from Grand Scribe E.:		
Rebate of Executive Committee Expenses	$ 309.14	
Receipt from Chapters	20,641.74	
Grand Convocation Receipts	4,264.07	
Transfer from Life Membership Fund	162.49	
Transfer from Chapters' Life Membership Fund	27.37	
Interest on Investments	2,932.27	
Sales to other Grand Chapters	853.60	
Bank Interest	2.55	
Transfer from Centennial Fund	3,668.64	
Sales to Sundry Individuals	13.00	
Sale of $5,000.00 Dominion of Canada 3% 1961 Bond	4,960.00	
Sale of $2,000.00 Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation—3½% and 3¾%—due May 1, 1958	2,000.00	
Sale of $10,000 Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation—3½%—1961 Bond	9,750.00	
		49,584.87
		$58,174.12

DISBURSEMENTS

Grand Scribe E. Office:		
Compensation	$ 4,800.00	
Assistant	3,120.00	
Rent	1,380.00	
Miscellaneous	2,046.07	
Printing:		
Proceedings	2,380.02	
General	555.28	
Travelling:		
Grand Z.	1,500.00	
General	618.90	
Expenses:		
Grand Convocation	17,927.84	
Grand Executive	2,421.50	
Grand Historian and Reviewer	300.00	
Audit Fee	400.00	
Jewels, Medals and Engraving	1,700.56	
Education and Instruction	561.90	
Masonic Library	125.00	
Transfer to Chapters' Life Membership Fund	1.68	
Bursaries	1,500.00	
Canadian Masonic Research Association	50.00	
Purchase of Supplies for Resale	2,356.44	
Expenditures chargeable to History of Grand Chapter	1,599.51	
Bond Interest Adjustment	13.43	
Insurance—Liability	3,984.55	
		$49,342.68
BALANCE—as at February 28, 1959:		
Bank Balance	8,345.97	
Cash in Transit	485.47	$8,831.44

VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance—February 28, 1958		$1,182.47
Received from Grand Scribe E.:		
Interest on Investments	$1,989.75	
Donations	61.20	
Bank Interest	33.21	2,084.16
		$3,266.63

DISBURSEMENTS

Benevolent Grants	1,940.00	1,940.00
BALANCE—as at February 28, 1959		$1,326.63

GRAND CHAPTER LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance—February 28, 1958		$ 258.31
Received from Grand Scribe E.:		
Commutations	$868.72	
Interest on Investments	875.00	
Bank Interest	3.77	1,747.49
		$2,005.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Transferred to General Fund	$162.49	$162.49
		$1,843.31

CHAPTERS' LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance—February 28, 1958		$466.82
Received from Grand Scribe E.:		
Transferred from General Fund	$1.68	
Bank Interest	8.34	10.02
		$476.84

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid to Keystone Chapter, No. 224	$276.18	
Transferred to General Fund	27.37	303.55
		$173.29

CENTENNIAL YEAR FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance—February 28, 1958		$3,611.90
Received from Grand Scribe E.:		
Interest on Investments	$36.25	
Bank Interest	20.49	56.74
		$3,668.64

DISBURSEMENTS

Transfer to General Fund	$3,668.64	
BALANCE—as at February 28, 1959		$3,668.64
		NIL

Examined and Verified:

JOHN D. LEWARS, C.A.,
Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. DEAN, P.G.Z.,
Grand Treasurer.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean that:—

Resolved—That the report of the Grand Treasurer be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE E.

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada.

I present herewith the Annual Report of Cash Receipts and Ledger Balance for the fiscal year ending February 28th, 1959.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR

March 1st, 1958, to February 28th, 1959

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
1.	Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui	$225.03		$ 3.83
2.	The Hiram	159.35	$ 4.12	
3.	St. John's, London	243.45	8.67	
4.	The St. Andrew and St. John	144.00	2.50	
5.	St. George's	194.53		5.52
6.	St. John's, Hamilton	122.58	4.25	
7.	The Moira	243.90	2.50	
8.	King Solomon's	234.98	137.25	
15.	Wawanosh	168.80		.85
16.	Carleton	599.61		.45
18.	Oxford	179.57		1.58
19.	Mount Moriah	221.91		
20.	Mount Horeb	98.10		
22.	Grenville	92.05		.06
23.	Ezra	152.40	6.00	
24.	Tecumseh	230.57	2.50	
26.	St. Mark's	130.45	1.37	
27.	Manitou	110.84	1.00	
28	Pentalpha	253.08		.42
29.	McCallum	120.98	.85	
30.	Huron	136.69	3.21	
31.	Prince Edward	199.63	1.93	
32.	Waterloo	148.90	1.55	
34.	Signet	104.66	1.70	
35.	Keystone, Whitby	77.93	.15	
36.	Corinthian	227.53	.38	
37.	Victoria, Port Hope	113.64	1.50	
40.	Guelph	192.18		
41.	Harris	108.25		1.15
44.	Mount Sinai, Napanee	110.81	4.73	
45.	Excelsior	53.13		
46.	St. James	58.36	1.00	
47.	Wellington	155.08		2.98
48.	St. John's, Cobourg	93.40		6.13
53.	Bruce	56.68		
54.	Palestine, St. Thomas	234.96	27.00	
55.	Niagara	79.02		4.28
56.	Georgian	85.67		17.23
57.	King Hiram	111.43		.60
58.	Pembroke (Inactive)			
59.	Sussex-St. Lawrence	300.73	4.67	
61.	Granite	88.60		2.90
62.	York	127.93		

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
63.	Havelock	90.54		2.57
64.	Willson	141.07		5.53
65.	St. Paul's, Toronto	105.13	58.80	
66.	The Malloch	87.50		1.35
67.	Enterprise	76.90		.43
68.	Maitland	94.52		.50
69.	Grimsby	70.79	.93	
71.	Prince of Wales, Essex	138.42	.05	
72.	Keystone, Stirling	86.27		1.70
73.	Erie	95.20	.43	
74.	Beaver, Strathroy	94.30	.85	
75.	St. Clair, Milton	100.05		
76.	Mount Nebo	60.58		
77.	Occident	317.30		
78.	Minnewawa	123.88	4.25	
79.	Orient	73.03		
80.	Ark	222.30		1.00
81.	Aylmer	116.17		
82.	Shuniah	229.50		21.68
83.	Ionic, Orangeville	93.05	3.42	
84.	Lebanon, Wingham	114.13	1.70	
88.	NacNabb	119.54	5.63	
90.	Golden	162.08	4.85	
91.	Toronto-Antiquity	157.00	7.02	
94.	Midland	89.41		2.04
95.	Tuscan	297.08		
102.	Algonquin	218.06		
103.	St. John's, North Bay	129.36	1.28	
104.	White Oak	132.60	.85	
110.	Warkworth	56.33	.85	
112.	St. John's, Morrisburg	163.41	3.08	
113.	Covenant	259.23	.85	
114.	Bonnechere	108.71	1.50	
115.	Brant	116.80		
116.	Maple	83.81		
117.	Kitchener, Kitchener	197.26	5.55	
119.	King Cyrus, Leamington	151.20	3.39	
129.	Elliot	73.08	37.50	
130.	Chantry	58.16		1.27
131.	Amabel	97.48		6.95
132.	Leeds	95.79		.43
133.	St. Francis	163.28		1.28
134.	King Darius	83.79		2.24
135.	Succoth	68.61		13.55
138.	Shekinah	256.98	2.50	
140.	Fort William	146.25	17.22	
143.	Glengarry	65.49	.86	
144.	Presqu'ile	56.63	1.85	
145.	The St. Patrick	327.38	1.00	
146.	Bernard	113.26		3.10
147.	Lucknow	83.40	2.35	
148.	St. John's, Vankleek Hill	101.11	1.73	
149.	Atwood	47.68	.25	
150.	London	136.23	2.36	
151.	Laurentian	163.60	2.86	
152.	Alberton	171.33	.42	
153.	Sombra	131.31		8.22

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
154.	Klondike (Inactive)		74.85	
155.	Ancaster	88.41	48.13	
161.	Madoc	146.26	3.90	
163.	The Beaches	114.16		
164.	Lorne	96.00	2.55	
167.	Kichikewana	132.64	2.06	
168.	Ionic, Campbellford	120.53	5.85	
169.	Temiskaming	87.33	42.60	
175.	The Hamilton	130.23		
184.	Hugh Murray	94.33		.18
195.	Peel	131.70		2.50
198.	Couchiching	175.31	98.33	
203.	Cobalt	20.83		
205.	Victoria, Thornhill	100.60	4.20	
210.	Kitchener, Russell	98.58	3.12	
212.	Mount Sinai, Toronto	398.85	13.70	
213.	Northern Lights	113.00	3.00	
214.	Vimy	63.35	.42	
215.	Mimico	105.41		
217.	St. Alban's	121.23		1.27
218.	Prince Edward, Shelbourne	68.46	32.33	
219.	Ulster	89.33		
220.	Lebanon, Lambton Mills	111.43	.42	
221.	Durham	40.78	.43	
222.	Ottawa	290.56	3.71	
223.	Abitibi	63.85		.75
224.	Keystone, Hamilton	118.52	.18	
225.	Beaver, Toronto	130.17	67.32	
226.	Prince of Wales, Perth	134.26	.43	
227.	Quinte Friendship	193.59		
230.	Port Credit	102.51	.58	
231.	The St. Clair, Toronto	211.37		.08
232.	King Cyrus, Toronto	102.53	6.43	
233.	Oakwood	109.60	5.00	
234.	Halton	127.34		
235.	Aurora	100.63		.43
236.	Caledonia	84.90		
238.	The St. Andrew	177.43	12.00	
239.	Blenheim	94.06		
240.	Smithville	47.38	2.75	
241.	University	101.66		
242.	St. Paul's, Lambeth	85.99		
243.	McKay	62.30	33.83	
245.	Preston	63.33	.85	
246.	Humber	170.95		
247.	Nilestown	124.93	62.30	
248.	Dochert	36.56	18.28	
249.	Palestine, Bowmanville	98.40		
250.	Thomas Peters	193.70		1.63
251.	Kirkland	129.85	51.75	
252.	Hiawatha	148.51	71.11	
253.	Regal	98.71		
254.	Golden Star	153.25		1.70
255.	Tillsonburg	103.33	.55	
256.	Yukon	126.09		1.27
257.	Espanola	85.00	1.27	
258.	Tyrian	17.15		

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
259.	Quetico	48.60	3.00	
260.	Centennial	186.00		
	Grand Chapter of Alberta	100.00		
	Grand Chapter of British Columbia	303.00		
	Grand Chapter of Manitoba	83.00		
	Grand Chapter of New Brunswick	80.10	15.00	
	Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia	6.00		
	Grand Chapter of Quebec	12.00		
	Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan	269.00		
	Rebate of Executive Committee Expenses	309.14		
	Sales to Sundry Individuals	13.00		
	Grand Convocation Receipts	4,264.07		
		$26,415.81	$1,087.24	$131.63

CASH RECEIPTS

For Year Ending February 28th, 1959

Credits to Constituent Chapters' Accounts:	
Receipts from Chapters	$20,641.74
Rebate of Executive Committee Expenses	309.14
Grand Convocation Receipts	4,264.07
Transfer from Life Membership Fund	162.49
Transfer from Chapters' Life Membership Fund	27.37
Interest on Investments	2,932.27
Sales to other Grand Chapters	853.60
Bank Interest	2.55
Transfer from Centennial Fund	3,668.64
Sales Sundries	13.00
Sale of $5,000.00 Dominion of Canada Bond	4,960.00
Sale of $2,000.00 Canada Permanent Bonds	2,000.00
Sale of $10,000.00 Canada Permanent Bond	9,750.00
	$49,584.87

Examined and Verified,
JOHN D. LEWARS, C.A.

To the Scribes E. of this Grand Chapter, please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation for your kind co-operation during the past year. It has been an exceedingly busy one for all concerned. Thirty-one Chapters have changed their Scribes E. In many instances the new Scribe has received assistance and support from his predecessor, but from my reports it is evident that quite a few have been left to manage for themselves. This is indeed very hard and unfair to the Scribe E. and the Chapter is thrown into a state of confusion through this unfortunate condition of affairs. It is well known to me as your Grand Scribe E. that the strength of many Chapters is only such because the Scribe E. understands his work, with the result that the other Officers of the Chapter rely on him for support throughout their period of service to their Chapter.

Scribes E., once again I would like to draw your attention

to the fact that in accordance with the Constitution the last day for filing your Annual Report is the 31st of January. It would be appreciated by your Grand Scribe E. if you will bear this in mind next year in order that the data required by the various Committees can be compiled by this office and furnished to them without delay.

This also applies to our Grand Superintendents — the last day for their reports, etc., is March 15th of each year.

Regarding the outstanding accounts, I am pleased to report that at the time this report is being prepared only $400.00 remain unpaid.

There is one report that the Scribes E. have to complete, i.e. "Return of Officers and Living Past Principals of Chapters." This form, in a great many instances, is not being made up satisfactorily. It would be appreciated if all details in ruled columns are completed, expressing the rank of the Excellent Companion and the year he was Z. of the Chapter, also whether the Grand Chapter Jewel—25 Year Past Principal—has been received. This return is most important to the welfare of the Chapter, and Grand Chapter can obtain much of its statistical information if it is filled out correctly.

To all our Scribes E., particularly the new ones, I would like you to know that Grand Chapter office wants to help you with your problems, and will give its assistance upon your request.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred. J. Johnson.

Grand Scribe E.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson that:—

Resolved—That the report of the Grand S. E. be received and adopted.

AUDITOR'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Most Excellent Companion, Maurice Arthur Searle, Grand First Principal, Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada, Temple Building, Toronto, Ontario.

March 12, 1959.

Most Excellent Sir:

I have made my regular examination of the books of account and supporting records of the Grand Scribe E. and Grand Treasurer of Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1959. From this examination, I have prepared the statements listed below and I now present them together with my comments thereon:

Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet as at February 28, 1959.

Exhibit "B"—Comparative Revenue and Expenditure Account for the year ended February 28, 1959.

Schedule "1"—The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund as at February 28, 1959.

Schedule "2"—The Life Membership Fund—Grand Chapter as at February 28, 1959.

Schedule "3"—The Chapters' Life Membership Fund as at February 28, 1959.

COMMENTS

The Petty Cash Fund, shown in Exhibit "A", was counted from time to time during the fiscal year ended February 28, 1959, and again on March 11, 1959 and found to be in order on each occasion. The cash in transit was deposited in the proper account subsequent to February 28, 1959. The bank balances of the several accounts and funds, as set out in Exhibit "A" and Schedules "1", "2" and "3" were verified as at February 28, 1959, and all bank transactions in these several accounts during the fiscal year then ended were examined.

The Accounts Receivable from the various Chapters were reviewed in detail and appear to be proper charges. In my opinion, the Reserve for Uncollected Accounts, in the amount presently provided, should prove adequate to cover probable losses. The Accounts Receivable—Other represents an amount owing to Grand Chapter on account of an overcharge by a supplier for supplies for resale.

The computation of the accrued interest in the several funds was checked and found to be in order.

The investments of the several Funds are set out in detail in Exhibit "A" and Schedules "1" and "2". They were counted on

March 12, 1959, in the presence of the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand First Principal and were found to be in order. They continue to be held in the place and custody authorized by the Grand Chapter.

So far as I was able to ascertain, from due inquiry of the Officials concerned and from the information presently available, all known liabilities of the various Funds were taken up in the books of account as at February 28, 1959, and are reflected in the attached statements.

Details of the operations of the General Fund for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1959, as shown by the books of account of the Grand Scribe E. are set out in Exhibit "B" and compared with the Budget for the fiscal year under review, as approved by Grand Chapter.

The actuarial soundness of the Life Membership Fund of Grand Chapter has not been tested, checked or verified, since the inception of this Fund.

As in preceding years, interim examinations were made of the books of account of the Grand Scribe E. and Grand Treasurer and tentative interim reports were submitted as of August 31, 1958 and November 30, 1958. I have tested the annual returns from the constituent Chapters and I have obtained all of the information and explanations which I have required. My examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of the accounting records and other supporting evidence as I deemed necessary under the circumstances.

In my opinion, the attached Balance Sheet and related statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the financial affairs of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada as at February 28, 1959, subject to the qualifications contained in the foregoing comments, and the results of operations for the year then ended, according to the best of my information and the explanations afforded to me, and as shown by the books of the Grand Chapter.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

J. D. LEWARS, C.A.,
Auditor.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET AS AT FEBRUARY 28, 1959

ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Petty Cash Fund		$ 234.05	
Cash in Transit		485.47	
Cash in Bank:			
General Account	$8,345.97		
History Account	1,596.00	9,941.97	
Accounts Receivable:			
Chapters	955.61		
Other	68.90		
	$1,024.51		
Less Reserve for Uncollected Accounts	100.00	924.51	
Due from Life Membership Fund—Grand Chapter		599.77	
Accrued Interest on Investments		1,010.20	$13,195.97
Investments:			
Govt. of Canada —4½%—1983		$22,500.00	
Province of Ontario —2¾%—1968		6,000.00	
Province of Ontario —3 %—1977		4,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario —3½%—1979		28,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario —4 %—1974		6,000.00	
Toronto Gen. Trusts —3½%—1960		1,500.00	
Toronto Gen. Trusts —3½%—1959		1,500.00	
Metropolitan Toronto 3½%—1975		2,000.00	
		$71,500.00	
Less: Unamortized Discount		604.28	70,895.72
Furniture and Fixtures		1,504.83	
Less: Reserve for Depreciation		1,490.21	14.62
Grand Chapter—Library			250.00
Grand Council—Regalia			75.00
Deferred Charges—Liability Insurance			2,656.37
Special Funds:			
The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund (Sch. "1")		62,714.50	
The Life Membership Fund (Sch. "2")		24,471.91	
The Chapters' Life Membership Fund (Sch. "3")		173.29	87,359.70
			$174,447.38
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable			$ 32.01
Unexpended Reserves:			
Education		$ 571.57	
Library		100.00	
Preparing and Printing History		2,295.42	2,966.99
Reserve for Special Funds			87,359.70
General Reserve:			
Balance—March 1, 1958		91,729.56	
Less—Net Expenditure (Exhibit "B")		7,640.88	84,088.68
			$174,447.38

Exhibit "B"

COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

REVENUE	Estimated Revenue		Actual Revenue	Balances Over* or Under
Fees	$2,800.00		$2,773.00	$ 27.00
Dues	16,300.00		16,495.32	*195.32
Life Membership Dues	2,550.00		2,623.10	*73.10
Dispensation and Warrants	150.00		176.00	*26.00
Sale of Supplies	2,200.00		2,422.45	*222.45
Sale of History of Grand Chapter	2,000.00		1,596.00	404.00
Interest Earned:				
Investments		$3,078.05		
Bank Deposits		23.04		
	$2,500.00		$3,101.09	*601.09
Transfer from Centennial Fund	7,149.19		7,149.19	
Total Revenue	$35,649.19		$36,336.15	*$686.96
Total Expenditure	43,447.40		43,977.03	*529.63
Net Expenditure	$7,798.21		$7,640.88	157.33

EXPENDITURE	Estimated Expenditure	Actual Expenditure		Balances Over* or Under
Grand Scribe E.:				
Compensation	$4,800.00	$4,800.00		
Office Assistant	3,120.00	3,120.00		
Rent	1,380.00	1,380.00		
Miscellaneous	700.00	1,155.52		*$455.52
	$10,000.00		$10,455.52	
Foreign Correspondence Reviewer	300.00		300.00	
Audit Fee	400.00		400.00	
Printing:				
Proceedings	2,100.00	2,412.52		*312.52
General	600.00	555.28		44.72
	$2,700.00		2,967.80	
Travelling:				
Grand Z.	1,500.00	1,500.00		
General	700.00	792.60		*92.60
	2,200.00		2,292.60	
Expenses:				
Convocation	16,000.00	13,911.43		2,088.57
Executive Committee	2,900.00	2,356.56		543.44
	18,900.00		16,267.99	
Jewels and Engraving	1,000.00		1,710.72	*710.72
Grant to Masonic Library	125.00		125.00	
Grant to Can. Masonic Res. Association	50.00		50.00	
Chapters' Life Membership Fund	10.00		1.68	8.32
Liability Insurance	1,362.40		1,328.18	34.22
Archives Committee	200.00			200.00
Printing History of Grand Chapter	4,000.00		4,000.00	
Supplies for Resale	2,200.00		2,287.54	*87.54
Bursaries			1,500.00	*1,500.00
Loss on Sale of Investments			290.00	*290.00
Total Expenditure	$43,447.40		$43,977.03	*$529.63

Schedule "1"

THE VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

As at February 28, 1959

Balance—March 1, 1958		$62,300.71
Add:		
Bond Interest	$2,115.00	
Bank Interest	33.21	
Amortization of Bond Discount	174.10	
	2,322.31	
Less: Amortization of Bond Premium	29.72	2,292.59
Donations		61.20
		64,654.50
Deduct—Benevolence		1,940.00
Balance—February 28, 1959		$62,714.50

ASSETS

Cash in Bank		$1,326.63	
Accrued Interest		829.18	2,155.81
Investments:			
Govt. of Canada—4½%—1983		16,700.00	
Province of Ontario—3%—1965		9,000.00	
Province of Ontario—3%—1966		3,000.00	
Province of Ontario—2¾%—1968		1,000.00	
Province of Ontario—3%—1969		9,000.00	
Province of Ontario—3%—1977		8,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario—4¼%—1967		6,500.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario—3½%—1979		2,000.00	
Toronto General Trusts—3½¼—1960		7,000.00	
		$62,200.00	
Deduct—Unamortized Discount	$1,859.61		
Less—Unamortized Premium	218.30	1,641.31	60,558.69
			$62,714.50

Schedule "2"

THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND—GRAND CHAPTER

As at February 28, 1959

Balance—March 1, 1958		$25,303.74
Add:		
Interest on Investments	$875.00	
Amortization of Discount	12.50	
Bank Interest	3.77	
Commutations Issued	900.00	1,791.27
		27,095.01
Deduct—Life Membership Dues		2,623.10
Balance—February 28, 1959		$24,471.91

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets:			
Cash in Bank		$1,843.31	
Due from Chapters		41.28	
Accrued Interest on Investments		268.34	
Investments:			
Metropolitan Toronto—3½%—1975	$23,000.00		
Less: Unamortized Discount	81.25	22,918.75	25,071.68
Liabilities:			
Due to General Fund			599.77
			$24,471.91

Schedule "3"

THE CHAPTERS' LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

As at February 28, 1959

Balance—March 1, 1958		$466.82
Add:		
Bank Interest	$8.34	
Transfer from General Fund	1.68	10.02
		$476.84
Less—1958 Chapter Dues Transferred to General Fund and Credited to Chapters' Accounts	27.37	
Balance to Credit of Chapter No. 224 Refunded to Chapter per request	276.18	303.55
Balance—February 28, 1958		$173.29

ASSETS

Cash in Bank	$173.29

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, that:—

Resolved—That the Auditor's Report be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada.

Your Committee on Printing has received the expenditures for the year ending February 28th, 1959, and submits the following analysis in support thereof:

Printing Proceeds and Postage	$2,412.52
Printing General	555.28
	$2,967.80
History of Grand Chapter—Allocated	$4,000.00
Expenses: Printer, Cuts and Supplies, etc.	1,704.58
Balance placed in Reserve Account	$2,295.42

It is respectfully requested that the following monies be placed at the disposal of the Printing Committee for the fiscal year of 1959-1960:

Printing Proceeds and Postage	$1,700.00
Printing General	600.00
*Printing for Resale	1,500.00
Printing for Resale — History of Grand Chapter (For additional unbound copies)	1,000.00
	$4,800.00

*The cost of this item will be liquidated before the next request for a similar expenditure.

Fraternally submitted,

R. EX. COMP. R. A. STEWART, Chairman

R. EX. COMP. L. B. TRACEY

R. EX. COMP. FRED J. JOHNSON, G.S.E.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. R. A. Stewart, that—

Resolved—That the Report of Printing Committee be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada

Your Committee on Investments reports the following:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Dominion of Canada, 4½%—Sept. 1, 1983, registered	$22,500.00
Province of Ontario, 2¾%—July 15, 1968, registered	6,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%—Oct. 15, 1977, registered	4,000.00
Hydro Electric Power Commission, 3½% — Oct. 15, 1979, registered	28,000,00
Hydro Electric Power Commission, 4% — July 15, 1974, registered	6,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation, 3½%—Jan. 27, 1960 registered	1,500.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation, 3½%—Dec. 1, 1959, registered	1,500.00
City of Metropolitan Toronto, 3½%—May 2, 1959, bearer	2,000.00
	$71,500.00

VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

Dominion of Canada, 4½%—Sept. 1, 1983, registered	$16,500.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½%—Sept. 1, 1983, bearer	200.00
Province of Ontario, 3%—April 15, 1965, registered	9,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%—Nov. 1, 1966, registered	3,000.00
Province of Ontario, 2¾%—July 15, 1968, registered	1,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%—Nov. 1, 1969, registered	9,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%—Oct. 15, 1977, registered	8,000.00
Hydro Electric Power Commission, 4½% — Nov. 1, 1969, registered	6,500.00
Hydro Electric Power Commission, 3½% — Oct. 18, 1979, registered	2,000.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation, 3½%—Jan. 27, 1960, registered	7,000.00
	$62,200.00

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

City of Metropolitan Toronto, 3½%—May 1, 1975, bearer	$23,000.00

During the year, we took advantage of the opportunity to exchange our Dominion of Canada 3% Victory Loan Bonds—$22,500.00 General Account, and $16,700.00 Victory Benevolent Fund for the new Dominion of Canada Conversion Bonds 4½% due September 1, 1983.

During the year, we sold $5,000.00 Dominion of Canada Victory Loan 3%—June 1, 1960 and Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation $10,000.00, 3½% due January 15, 1961 from the General Account. This was done to take care of the extra

expenses of our One Hundredth Anniversary Convocation, the printing of the Grand Chapter History, and Bursaries.

Your Committee on Investments has had two meetings with the Grand Scribe E. during the year.

The assistance and advice given by the members of the Finance Committee, the Grand Scribe E. the Grand Treasurer and Most Excellent Companion Searle, is sincerely appreciated and gratefully acknowledged.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

RT. EX. COMP. F. CARL ACKERT,
Chairman.

April 1st, 1959.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. F. C. Ackert, that—

Resolved—That the report of the Investment Committee be received.

RESOLUTION RESPECTING TRANSFER OF YUKON TERRITORY TO THE GRAND CHAPTER OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The following resolution providing for the transfer of Masonic Jurisdiction over the Yukon Territory to the Grand Chapter of British Columbia was presented to Grand Chapter and upon motion by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by M. E. Comp. J. M. Burden, was adopted:

"That this Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada do hereby grant to any Chapter or Chapters now owing allegiance to this Grand Chapter and located within the Yukon Territory permission to affiliate with and become part of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia, and do hereby agree to transfer all its Masonic jurisdiction over the Yukon Territory to the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia.

And that the Grand Z. and Grand Scribe E. be and they are hereby authorized to sign any documents necessary for the carrying into effect of this Resolution and affix the seal of Grand Chapter thereto."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

To the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada:

Your Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence begs to submit the following report.

1. Most Excellent Companion Fred W. Dean has presented the following notice of motion:—

"I hereby give notice that at the next Convocation of Grand Chapter to be held in Toronto in April, 1959, I will move, or cause to be moved, that that portion of Section 140 of the Constitution now reading as follows:

'For every member of a Chapter, payable semi-annually on the 30th of June and the 31st of December in each year, except the first year of the organization of the Chapters—42½c.'

to be amended to read as follows:

'For every member of a Chapter, payable semi-annually on the 30th of June and the 31st of December in each year, except the first year of the organization of the Chapter—55c'."

Section 291 of the Constitution provides that any amendment to the Constitution which has been rejected by Grand Chapter cannot be considered at any time within five years after such rejection, except leave be given by Grand Chapter by a two-thirds vote, such vote to be taken without debate.

In April, 1957, an amendment to increase the per capita tax to 50 cents was declared carried, but subsequently the newly-installed Grand Z. directed the increased per capita was not to be levied because the amendment had not been passed by the necessary two-thirds majority.

In the opinion of your Committee this notice is similar to the motion dealt with in 1957, and also the motion, if it had not received the necessary majority required by the Constitution of Grand Chapter, should not have been declared carried.

Your Committee, therefore, submits that upon consent by Grand Chapter pursuant to Section 291 of the Constitution, there is no legal objection to this notice of motion being presented to Grand Chapter for consideration.

2. Most Excellent Companion John M. Burden has presented the following notice of motion:

"I hereby give notice that, upon consent of this Grand Chapter to transfer the Yukon Territory to the jurisdiction of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia, I will move or cause to be moved at the next Annual Convocation the following:—

1. That Section 2 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the words, "and the Yukon Territory" in the last line thereof.
2. That Section 11 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the words, "The Grand Superintendent of the Seventeenth or Yukon District."
3. That Section 15 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the second paragraph thereof.
4. That Section 18 of the Constitution be amended by deleting from the fifth and sixth lines thereof the words, "except as provided in Section fifteen".
5. That Section 77 of the Constitution be amended by deleting from the sixth, seventh and eighth lines thereof the words, "and in the Yukon District where any Chapter may appoint a proxy who is not a member of the Chapter nor a resident of that District".
6. That Section 1 of the Constitution of this Grand Chapter be amended by adding at the end thereof the words, "in the Province of Ontario".
7. That, with the exception of the "note" preceding the first page of the Constitution, wherever the title "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada" appears throughout the Constitution, Ceremonies, Guide & Rules, the same shall be amended to read, "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario".
8. The Great Seal of Grand Chapter to be amended accordingly."

A condition precedent to the presentation of this notice of motion is the approval of this Grand Chapter to transfer its Masonic jurisdiction over the Yukon Territory to the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia.

After this consent has been granted, there is no legal objection to this notice of motion being presented to Grand Chapter for consideration.

3. Ontario District No. 10 over signatures of H. O. Flintoff, P. S. Conibear and E. W. Edmondson submitted the following proposals for consideration, and subsequently and within the time prescribed by the Constitution asked that these proposals be treated as a notice of motion.

"Proposed addition to article 246 of the Constitution:

1. The total fee for Life Membership as determined by the above rates, for a Royal Arch Mason who has been a member in good standing for at least ten years, shall be adjusted as follows:—
   (a) If 60 years of age or under, an allowance of 5% of his yearly dues for each year he has been a member in good standing.
   (b) If 61 years of age or over, an allowance of 15% of his yearly dues for each year he has been a member in good standing.
   Provided the payment shall not in any case be less than the commutation fees to Grand Chapter.
2. A Royal Arch Mason, having been a member in good standing for at least 20 years, and having reached the age of 75 years, shall be granted Life Membership, and the commutation fee to Grand Chapter shall be waived."

Section 246, after determining the method by which the amount payable for a Life Membership is determined, states "In addition thereto, there shall be paid by the life member the commutation fee of Grand Chapter, which amount shall be forwarded forthwith to Grand Chapter, and such payment shall exempt the Chapter from the payment of future dues to Grand Chapter on his behalf".

The second part of this proposed amendment waives the commutation to Grand Chapter but makes no provision that the Chapter shall be

exempt from further dues to Grand Chapter and would be a contradiction of the preceding paragraph of Section 246.

Your Committee is of the opinion that there is no legal objection to part one of this notice of motion being submitted to Grand Chapter for consideration, but there is a legal objection to part two of the notice of motion being considered in its present form.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. BURDEN,
Chairman.

Upon motion by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by the Grand Third the report of the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence was received.

Permission having been requested by the proposers of Notices of Motion numbers one and three to withdraw these Notices of Motion, it was moved by M. E. Comp. J. M. Burden and seconded by M. E. Comp. F. W. Dean that this permission be granted and that the report of the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence be amended by deleting Notices of Motion one and three.

Carried.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by M. E. Comp. J. M. Burden that the report of the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence, as amended, be adopted.

Carried.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Upon motion by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by M. E. Comp. J. M. Burden, and carried, the Constitution of Grand Chapter was amended as follows:

1. That Section 2 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the words, "and the Yukon Territory" in the last line thereof.
2. That Section 11 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the words, "The Grand Superintendent of the Seventeenth or Yukon District".
3. That Section 15 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the second paragraph thereof.
4. That Section 18 of the Constitution be amended by deleting from the fifth and sixth lines thereof the words, "except as provided in Section fifteen".
5. That Section 77 of the Constitution be amended by deleting from the sixth, seventh and eighth lines thereof the words, "and in the Yukon District where any Chapter may appoint a proxy who is not a member of the Chapter nor a resident of that District".
6. That Section 1 of the Constitution of this Grand Chapter be amended by adding at the end thereof the words, "in the Province of Ontario".
7. That, with the exception of the "note" preceding the first page of the Constitution, wherever the title "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada" appears throughout the Constitution, Ceremonies, Guide & Rules, the same shall be amended to read, "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario".
8. The Great Seal of Grand Chapter to be amended accordingly."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WARRANTS AND DISPENSATIONS

To the Most Excellent The Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada

Your Committee on Warrants and Dispensations reports that no new applications have been presented to them during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,

G. H. SHANNON,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, and—

Resolved—That this report be accepted.

Grand Chapter was called off at 12.30 p.m. for luncheon.

Scrutineers Obligated at 12.30 p.m.

M. Ex. Comp. John L. House obligated the Scrutineers as to faithfully performing the duties of this office.

Grand Chapter was called on at 2.00 p.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To The M. E. Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of Grand Chapter

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals are most happy to report that no cases of such have come before us during the year just ended, so it appears that peace, contentment and happiness reigns throughout our Grand Jurisdiction.

A. G. N. BRADSHAW,
Chairman.
JOHN M. BURDEN,

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Committee on Grievance and Appeals be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE GRAND Z.'s ADDRESS

To The Most Excellent The Grand First Principal Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee has reviewed the Address of our Grand First Principal, Most Excellent Companion Maurice A. Searle, and joins with him in his welcome to our guests, particularly to our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry L. Martyn, and the Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful Brother and Companion Ewart G. Dixon. We unite with him in his fraternal greetings to all our distinguished guests and with them share in the reflected glory wrought by the efforts of our Grand First Principal and his Committee Chairman at the Centennial Convocation one year ago.

Our Grand First Principal has paid fitting tribute to those who have served Royal Arch Masonry so well and we deplore the loss of many distinguished Companions.

Our Grand Z. has made many visitations and attended many meetings during the past year giving unstintingly of his time and energy to further the cause of our order. As we commend him for his visits to other Grand Jurisdictions and to the Districts in this Jurisdiction, we congratulate him on the honours personally bestowed on him.

Your Committee approves our Grand Z.'s appointment of Grand Representatives and compliments him on his selection.

We commend our Grand First Principal for his interests in the Masonic Library and, as in the past, we concur in his commendation of the efforts made by the Companions of the Royal Arch Masons Welfare Committee of the two Toronto Districts.

We join with all our Companions in the pride expressed by our Grand First Principal in the dedication of new Chapters and Chapter rooms which shows that the enthusiasm and labours of our leaders is

bearing fruit. Your Committee extends its warmest welcome to the new Chapters at Atikokan and at Streetsville and we bespeak for them great days ahead.

We have carefully considered the recommendations of our Grand First Principal that past rank be conferred upon certain First Principals of Chapters who, through no fault of their own, were prevented from serving the full time of twelve months. We concur in these recommendations and present the same to Grand Chapter for approval.

We note with interest the appreciation shown by the Universities which were granted bursaries at our Centennial Convocation. We agree with the recommendation that a small committee be formed to consider and report to Grand Chapter next year on the advisability of continuing these awards.

The dispensations granted by Most Excellent Companion Searle appear to be in order, and subject to the power conferred on the Grand Z. are confirmed.

Your Committee approves of our Grand Z.'s recommendation that Right Excellent Companion Fergus A. McDermid of Carleton Chapter, Ottawa, be elected to Honourary Membership in our Grand Executive and recommends that Grand Chapter approve.

The Committee notes with pleasure our Grand Z.'s comments on Divine Services and agrees with him that from such meetings can come the greatest inspiration and help to us all.

Your Committee is pleased that no Rulings were required during the past year but note his reference to request for the formation of what was known as a York Rite College. Decisions on such matters are, at times, extremely difficult and we express the opinion that matters which may be deemed constitutionally improper must receive most careful consideration.

Our Grand Z.'s references to constituent Chapters, the decline in attendance, and the methods to be considered in overcoming some of these difficulties are timely and worthy of serious thought. We express hope that the feeling of complacency which is stated with such emphasis at the opening of his Address will recede as the enthusiasm amongst our members increases. Democracy flourishes when more and more individuals understand and accept their rightful place in all types of affairs for the common good. Democracy wanes when more and more individuals take less and less interest in the requirements placed upon the average citizen. We agreed with the opinion of our Grand First Principal that Grand Chapter must not disregard its responsibilities in this respect. A proper understanding of the teachings of Royal Arch Masonry and a correct interpretation of the symbolism involved cannot but impress on our Companions a proper and correct understanding of their duties as citizens.

We concur in the suggestion of our Grand First Principal that a Committee be appointed to make a geographical survey of the Districts and study any advantage which may be gained by creating better opportunities for Inter-Chapter visitations amongst Chapters in the same District, and at the same time lessen the travelling by the Grand Superintendents.

Your Committee desires to pay sincere tribute to the zeal and energy with which our Grand Z. has performed his duties during the past year. That he has not spared himself is evidenced by the fact that he has travelled so far and made so many visitations. We believe that he has made for himself a place in the hearts and affections of the Companions throughout this whole Jurisdiction, and in our judgment he has performed his many duties efficiently and with unflagging interest, and

worthy of the best traditions of the past he has performed his duties as a Grand First Principal.

Fraternally submitted,
C. M. PITTS
A. G. N. BRADSHAW
J. L. HOUSE
M. S. GOODERHAM
F. W. DEAN
JOHN M. BURDEN, Chairman.

It was moved by M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on the Grand Z.'s Address be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle reported that there was no report for this Committee as he had covered this subject in his Address.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, and—

Resolved—That the report be received.

GRAND HISTORIAN ELECTED

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, and—

Resolved—That M. Ex. Comp. B. S. Scott be elected Grand Historian.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To The Most Excellent Grand "Z", Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada

Most Excellent Grand "Z" and Companions:

Your Committee on Benevolence has considered the Applications for Relief and we recommend that an appropriation be made in the Estimates for the coming Grand Chapter year for Grants to the following:

Chapter	Grant in Favour of	Amount
1	Widow of G. McN.	$ 150.00
4	Companion F. L. D.	150.00
5	Widow of G. S. M.	200.00
8	Widow of R. J.	150.00
53	Daughter of J. S.	150.00
62	Widow of J. B.	150.00
102	Companion T. W.	200.00
145	Daughter of J. C.	200.00
Special	Widow of E. S.	200.00
241	Companion W. S. M. E.	200.00
246	Companion B. F.	150.00
		$1,900.00

We further recommend that an amount of $600.00 be provided for Interim Relief, if it be needed before the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,
D. C. PATMORE
R. N. McELHINNEY
F. W. DEAN,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Committee on Benevolence be received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, and—

The following Companions comprise the Committee on Benevolence and are members of the Executive Committee of Grand Chapter for the respective years:

R. Ex. Comp. R. N. McElhinney, retires 1961.
M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, retires in 1962.
R. Ex. Comp. D. C. Patmore, retires in 1960.

COMMITTEE ON AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

To The Most Excellent, The Grand Zerubbabel, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The report of the committee on awards for the Distinguished Service Medal is very brief.

A preliminary application was presented.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

C. M. PITTS, P.G.Z., Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. C. M. Pitts, and—

Resolved—That the Report on Award for the Distinguished Service Medal be received.

COMMITTEE ON AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

The following Companions comprise the Committee on Awards for the Distinguished Service Medal, for Grand Chapter for their respective terms:

M. EX. COMP. A. G. N. BRADSHAW, 1962
M. EX. COMP. C. M. PITTS, 1960, Chairman.
M. EX. COMP. J. M. BURDEN, 1961.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND INSTRUCTION

To The Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada

Your Committee on Education beg to report that during the year no business was placed before them.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

M. A. SEARLE,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, and—

Resolved—That this report be received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To The Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

After reviewing the reports of the Grand Superintendents and considering information received from other Grand Chapter sources, your Committee must conclude that we are singularly blessed by having dedicated and devoted leadership, and that under such guidance our Royal Craft continues to make progress in both the tangible and the intangible branches of our endeavours.

Many tributes have been paid to our Grand First Principal for his unsparing efforts to advance the honour and reputation of our Fraternity.

His many visits and personal contacts with the Companions, his inspired addresses, his sincerity and high purpose have created a new vision and renewed enthusiasm everywhere he has travelled. The Grand H. and Grand J. have ably supported him in every way. The Grand Lecturer, R. Ex. Comp. R. J. Lewis, has visited much within the jurisdiction and has brought valuable instruction and enlightenment to many Chapters and District meetings. The Grand Scribe E. has continued to serve Grand Chapter well and his unfailing kindness and co-operation have contributed in no small measure to the smooth functioning of the organization.

The reports of the Grand Superintendents indicate that they have worthily represented the Grand First Principal in their various districts. They have been diligent in carrying on the duties of their office and have endeavoured to further the well-being and usefulness of Royal Arch Masonry. In almost every case District meetings were held and discussions proved most beneficial. Chapters and Lodges of Instruction were well attended and helped to maintain and improve the quality of the ritual work.

While we may look with pride on another year of progress, your Committee realizes only too well the dangers of drifting into a state of complacency when there is so much that may be done to make even greater improvement. It is with this thought in mind that the following comments are offered.

MEMBERSHIP: A net increase in membership during the year of 138 as against a net increase of 56 the previous year must be a source of satisfaction to us all. Let us hope that it marks the turning point in the downward trend, and it can be if the Companions continue their efforts to retain present memberships and bring more light to uninformed brethren. Losses by death were down from 536 to 503 which is still the second highest figure in the history of at least the past 50 years. This indicates that of recent years the average age of our members has become much higher and that we can continue to expect a high loss by death for some years to come. No one can fail to realize the importance of bringing in younger members in increasing numbers if we are to offset the higher percentage of loss from our older membership. Much more could be said about membership, but no doubt the report of that Committee will cover the situation fully.

ATTENDANCE: This is a matter which must give the utmost concern to every Royal Arch Mason. From an analysis of the statistical reports of the Grand Superintendents, it would seem that the average attendance at convocations of constituent Chapters is about 16% of the membership. Of course there is a wide variation between Chapters—from 5% to 30%, and one Chapter with an attendance of 50%. It seems also that Chapters in metropolitan areas have the smaller percentages. However, an average attendance throughout the jurisdiction of only 16% is not encouraging. Non-attending members cannot contribute much to the activities of their Chapters. They cannot be of much support to the Officers. They are not renewing and refreshening in themselves the teachings, the tenets and principles of the Royal Arch to carry out into their lives and into their communities. They cannot be expected to lend much support in the field of membership nor in bringing more light to uninformed brethren. They bring nothing of fellowship nor companionship to the Chapter convocations, and from their numbers must come almost all the losses by withdrawal and suspension.

Your Committee feels that one of the most pressing problems is to increase attendance, and recommends that Chapters be urged to appoint active Attendance Committees for this purpose. It must be apparent to all that a greater percentage of attendance would immeasureably strengthen and revitalize our Chapters.

EDUCATION: While frequent mention is made in the reports of the

Grand Superintendents of district meetings and lodges and chapters of instruction to improve the quality of the ritualistic work, almost no mention is made of Masonic education. Unfortunately it is not given to everyone to grasp the deeper significances of our ritual or to understand fully its teachings, background and symbolism. How our Companions would welcome such instruction!

It is noticed that many Chapter convocations are held at which no degree work is performed. This gives a wonderful opportunity for addresses on Masonic subjects or discussion periods, and there must be many expert Royal Arch Masons ready and willing to bring such education and instruction. A wealth of material is available in the Grand Chapter Proceedings and in the Report on Fraternal Correspondence.

FRATERNAL VISITS: Your Committee is happy to note that the paying of fraternal visits continues to be one of the features of convocations. Not one of the active Chapters failed to report the attendance of visitors at almost every meeting. The presence of visitors not only increases attendance, but inspires the Officers to do better work, and improves the spirit of companionship. Visits by individuals, by Chapters and between districts should be encouraged, and it is suggested that during district meetings, Grand Superintendents should endeavour to arrange several inter-chapter visits, to the ultimate good of Royal Arch Masonry.

DIVINE SERVICES: Again most of the districts report on divine services being held, and comment on the improved attendance. Your Committee is gratified to note the improvement in attendance on such occasions, as these are one of the few times that Royal Arch Masons are in the public eye, and a good attendance is essential to the reputation of the institution.

WELFARE: The Welfare Committee of the two Toronto Districts continues to carry on its excellent work among the underprivileged and the hospitalized, thus putting into practice in a tangible way the tenets and principles taught within our guarded portals. For their devotion to this cause and for their tireless efforts to bring happiness into the lives of others they deserve our most sincere commendation.

BENEVOLENCE: While our branch of the Masonic family is not called on as extensively as others, yet some 45 of our constituent chapters met the call for grants and donations in addition to the grants made by Grand Chapter. However there are ways other than financial in which benevolence is carried on, and from indications given in reports from various sources, our Companions have not failed in the practice of Masonic charity and brotherly love.

CONCLUSION: Your Committee is of the opinion that the year 1958 was one of progress and improvement. There has been a net increase in membership. The standard of excellence in ritualistic work has been maintained. We have been blessed with the best of leadership in Grand Chapter, and the Grand Superintendents speak highly of the Principals and Officers of constituent Chapters, paying especial tribute to the Scribes E. whose efficiency and faithfulness in the discharge of their duties have contributed so much to the continued progress and well-being of Capitular Masonry in this jurisdiction.

In taking a quiet pride in our material progress, we must also consider if we have made equal progress in the intangible and the more real and important aspects of our labours. These consist of building character and developing a social consciousness — in the propogation of sound beliefs and in establishing a sure and steadfast faith in the love and goodness of the Most High — those attributes which are expressed in the quality of our lives and the worth of our actions.

No committee can assess factually the things of the heart and the spirit, for these things are the unseen virtues of Hope and Faith, Truth, Honour and Mercy, the unheralded acts of kindness, Charity and Brother-

ly Love which influence the lives and happiness of our fellow men. Each Companion must look into his own heart and answer for himself, in the light of his own experience, whether the moral and spiritual progress of Royal Arch Masonry has kept pace with its material growth.

It is the hope and prayer of your Committee that our Royal Craft, nurtured and tended for over a hundred years by men of great character and ability, may continue to grow from strength to strength, to the Glory of God and the service of mankind.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. A. KENNEDY
N. H. WALFORD
E. A. WEBBER
J. A. BELL
W. S. LAVERY
J. W. HOGGAN
J. A. HEARN
A. F. TANNAHILL, Acting Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. A. F. Tannahill, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Special Committee on Conditions of Capitular Masonry be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To The Most Excellent, The Grand Z., Officers and Companions of The Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada

The committee on Finance submits the following report for the year ending February 28, 1959.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer, the Auditor and the Grand Scribe E. for the year ending February 28, 1959, have been reviewed by the members of this committee, and these reports are now being submitted to this Grand body for consideration.

We find these reports fully and accurately set out details and transactions pertaining to the financial position of this Grand Chapter for the fiscal year. All items of receipts and disbursements in respect to the general fund, the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, the Life Membership Fund and Chapters' Life Membership Fund are properly detailed, and these reports contain complete schedules of the securities in which these funds are now invested.

Exhibit "A" is a balance sheet showing all assets and liabilities of the Grand Chapter. It includes the funds which are entrusted to, and over which the Grand Chapter has control.

Your Finance Committee has, for several years, drawn to the attention of this Grand Chapter the increasing amounts owing to Grand Chapter by the constituent chapters. It is quite evident that this has become a trend and requires earnest attention. The respective years 1956, 1957 and 1958 showed the following amounts owing from constituent chapters: $530, $499, $624; and in 1959, $955. We have studied the reports on the condition of capitular Masonry to get a lead on the reason for this trend, and one of the factors would appear to be the arrears of dues in the constituent chapters. We feel then we must urge the constituent chapters to take action to see that their remittances are made more promptly.

There is an amount of $599.77 due from the Life Membership Fund and your Finance Committee recommends for your approval that this amount be transferred to the General Fund.

Among the liabilities you will note that there is an unexpended reserve of $571.57 for Masonic education. While we estimate we will require $125 for Masonic education during 1959, we are not including it in our estimate, since there is sufficient set up in this reserve.

The details of the receipts and expenditures of the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, the Life Membership Fund and the Chapters' Life Membership Fund are set out in schedules 1, 2 and 3. You will note that the income account of the Victory Thanksgiving Fund has increased by $413.79, composed of donations of $61.20 and unspent accrued interest of $352.59.

The comparative Revenue and Expenditure Account marked Exhibit "B" indicates that our revenue of $36,336.15 was insufficient to meet our expenditures of $43,977.03 — resulting in a net deficit of $7,640.88. We did, however, budget for a deficit of $5,172.40 in our General Fund and $5,350.81 in our Centennial Fund, making a total budget deficit of $10,-523.21. We are pleased to report that our deficit was $2,882.23 less than budgeted.

Our securities have been examined and certified by our auditor. They are held in the place and custody authorized by Grand Chapter. The par value covering all securities is $156,700 which is a drop of $17,000 from last year.

The office assistant to our Grand Scribe E. has given good and faithful service and having in mind secretarial salaries and adequate compensation, this committee recommends that her salary be increased from $3,120 to $3,240 per yer.

Office expenses connected with our Centennial Year caused our Miscellaneous Account to be overexpended by $455.52, but we are budgeting our miscellaneous expenses $350.00 lower for 1959.

While the Printing Committee found it necessary to overexpend their budget for printing the proceedings by $312.52, the General Printing Account was under expended by $44.72. We are budgeting for $1,700 and $600 respectively for 1959, a reduction of $712.00.

Our Grand Z. is again to be congratulated for the tremendous amount of personal time and effort that he has contributed, in continuing to visit the districts of the jurisdiction on behalf of Royal Arch Masonry. Since our Grand Z. for 1959 is located some 125 miles from Toronto and demands of the office require that he make frequent visits to Toronto, we recommend for your approval that the budget be increased again from $1,500 to $2,000. The General Expense will, however, remain at $800 the same as expended last year.

Our auditor continues to make an excellent contribution to Grand Chapter by providing quarterly audits. However, the increasing costs are such that we are recommending that the audit fee be increased from $400 to $500.

The costs of our Annual Convocation will now be reduced to a more normal amount, but since there has been some increase in costs during the past two years we are budgeting an amount of $3,500 which is $300 over 1957.

The expense of the Executive Committee is being budgeted at $1,800 the same as for the year 1957 — a reduction of $556 from 1958.

We would also point out that, due to circumstances beyond our control, the printing of the History of Grand Chapter was not completed during 1958, and we now find that we will require an expenditure of an additional $1,000 before it can be completed. We are confident, however, that we will receive sufficient income from the sale of the History to offset all the expenses and printing costs.

Our budget this year includes $350 each for a regalia for the incoming Grand Z and the replacement of regalia for the Grand H, as well as a $350 testimonial for the Immediate Past Grand Z.

The following is our estimate of Revenue and Expenditures for the year ending February 28, 1960:

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

For Fiscal Year Ending February 28, 1960

REVENUE		
Registration Fees		$ 2,800.00
Dues per Capita		16,300.00
Life Membership Dues		2,550.00
Dispensations and Warrants		150.00
Interest on Investment and Funds on Deposit		2,692.00
Receipts from Sale of Supplies	$2,200.00	
Sale of History of Grand Chapter	2,000.00	
		4,200.00
		$28,692.00
EXPENDITURES		
Grand Scribe E. Compensation		$ 4,800.00
Secretarial		3,240.00
Telephone, Postage and Miscellaneous		800.00
Rent		1,380.00
Foreign Correspondence		300.00
Printing Proceedings	$1,700.00	
Printing Supplies for Sale to Constituent Chapters	2,200.00	
Printing General	600.00	
Printing History of Grand Chapter	1,000.00	
		5,500.00
Travelling—Grand Z.	$2,000.00	
General Expense	800.00	
		2,800.00
Audit Fee		500.00
Expense of Convocation	$3,500.00	
Executive Committee	1,800.00	
		5,300.00
Education		.....
Jewels and Engraving	$600.00	
Grant to Masonic Library	125.00	
Grant to Canadian Masonic Research Association	50.00	
Chapter Life Membership Fund	2.00	
Liability Insurance	1,328.18	
		2,105.18
Regalia for Grand H.	350.00	
Regalia for Grand Z.	350.00	
Testimonial to Retiring Grand Z.	350.00	
		1,050.00
		$27,775.18
Estimated Net Surplus		$ 916.82

Your Committee would again like to express our appreciation to the Grand Scribe E. who has given good and faithful service in the management of the Financial Operations of Grand Chapter.

All of this is fraternally and respectively submitted on behalf of the Committee.

J. E. GIRVEN,
Chairman Finance Committee.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Finance be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada:

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Memory was designed by the Great Architect of the Universe to be the servant of joy. Through this selective ability we may acquire pictures of life's beauty; the satisfactions of experience; the goodness in people, and the warmth and glow of human friendships.

The journey of each day is an outgoing to gather lasting pictures along the pilgrim path of time. Life consistently regales us with an infinite variety of memorable events. These bring enrichment to our lives and evoke our appreciation, framed in words of genuine gratitude.

Especially are we aware of this unique function of memory in the assembly of this One Hundred and First Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of Canada. For at this time we recall with a vivid sense of privilege those of our Companions who, since we last convened in our Annual Convocation, have crossed the Great Divide. They have responded to the call of the Divine Creator, to write their names in the Celestial Register and take their fitting place on the dias of the Grand Chapter above.

Today we cherish the memory of these Companions who were once an integral part of our fellowship in the great crusade of purposeful living. We recall them as being Companions whose stature in character was high, whose quality of life was commendable, and, who despite adverse circumstances, remained steadfast in their Masonic faith.

We recall them as being Companions obsessed with a true sense of a mission to be fulfilled. They were convinced that through their life and work, however insignificant and ordinary such appeared to be, they were being used by the Most High to further His designs and purposes in the world of His creation.

In the diversity of their personalities and talents it was demonstrated in their outward acts and attitudes that the Grand Geometrician of the Universe is able to meet all aspects of His Divine purpose through those who are willing to make a full commitment to Him.

They need no other appraisal than the "Well done" of the Master of the Quarry for presenting work fit for the Noble Temple of Life. Their's was a sense of stewardship that is so aptly expressed in the following lines of an unknown author:

If I have strength, I owe the service of the strong;
If melody I have, I owe the world a song;
If I can stand when all around my post are falling,
If I can run with speed when needy hearts are calling,
And if my torch can light the dark of any night
Then I must pay the debt I owe with living light.
For any gift God gives to me I cannot pay,
Gifts are most mine when I most give them all away;
God's gifts are like His flowers which show their right to stay
By giving all their bloom and fragrance away;
Riches are not in gold, nor land estates, nor marts,
The only wealth worth having is found in human hearts.

Now that our Companions have gone from us and before us, it is right for us to believe that they continue in their concern for the tides of the battle in the continuous combat being waged to make Goodness, Truth, Beauty and Brotherhood victorious.

One of our strongest incentives, then, for doing our best is to believe that our departed Companions still have an undiminished interest in us. Believing thus, we shall feel the undergirding of this "Great Cloud of

Unseen Witnesses," and shall be protected against apathy in well-doing and exemplary living.

As we call to remembrance those Companions who "rest from their earthly labors" we are prompted to reaffirm our belief in the reality of the Kingdom of Immortality into which they have entered and where they abide our advent.

In measured and memorable words Plato, the brilliant pupil of Socrates, has given expression to the secret of belief in immortality in this manner:

"When speaking of divine perfection we signify that God is just and true and loving, the Author of order, not disorder; of good, not evil. We signify the very progress of which we were speaking; and that wherever these qualities exist, whether in the human soul or in the order of nature, there God exists."

"We might well see Him everywhere, if we had not been mistakingly seeking for Him apart from us, instead of in us; away from the laws of nature, instead of in them And we come united, not by physical absorption but by partaking of that truth and justice and love which He Himself is."

"Therefore the belief in immortality depends finally upon the belief in God. If there exists a good and wise God, then there also exists a progress of mankind towards perfection; and if there be no progress of men toward perfection, then there cannot be a good and wise God. We cannot suppose that God's moral government, the beginnings of which we can see in the world and in ourselves, will cease when we leave this life."

The faith of religion has always said, as the poet Longfellow so well expressed it:

Thou wilt not leave us in the dust:
Thou madest man, he knows not why,
He thinks he was not made to die;
And Thou hast made him; Thou art just.

Bishop McConnell used to tell how, as a boy, he was fascinated by a book in his father's library. It was filled with pictures of old dinosaurs and monstrous reptiles that roamed the earth centuries ago. And he wondered whatever became of them. Then came the day when Bishop McConnell went to college and there learned: the climate changed.

This is what our faith in God does to death. It changes the climate from despair to hope. It gives us the certainty that if a man dies he does indeed live again. It holds out to us the assurance that once past the last bend in the journey of this mortal life we shall be reunited with those "Lost long since, and lost awhile," to share with them the joy and felicity of immortal living in the presence of the Eternal God and Father of our Spirits.

This long cherished hope is set forth in a meaningful and eloquent manner by Mary Frances Butts in her poem, "Guest of God":

From the dust of the weary highway—
From the smart of sorrow's rod,
Into the royal presence—
They are bidden guests of God.
The veil from their eyes is taken,
Sweet mysteries they are shown,
Their doubts and fears are over
For they know as they are known.

For them there should be rejoicing
And festival array,
As for the bride in her beauty
Whom love hath taken away—
Sweet hours of peaceful waiting

Till the path that we have trod
Shall end at the Father's gateway,
And we are the guests of God.

Until that day we shall continue to remember with thanksgiving the Companions of our great Fraternity who have gone on before.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee.

G. O. Smith,
E. J. Barrowclough,
J. R. Howie,
I. Caldwell,
Rev. H. W. Pointen, Vice-Chairman.
G. A. Phillips, Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. G. A. Phillps, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead be received.

The following Companions of Grand Chapter Rank passed to their reward during the year 1958:

Chapter:
1, 8, 16, 34, 62, 71, 75, 77, 119, 132, 138, 140, 145, 212, 218, 231, 232, 246, 250—M. Ex. Comp. J. A. M. Taylor.
5. V. Ex. Comp. H. E. Abell, V. Ex. Comp. J. A. Acheson.
16. R. Ex. Comps. W. J. Neville, W. E. Gowling.
23. R. Ex. Comp. H. A. Johnson.
24. V. Ex. Comp. F. C. Ward.
29. R. Ex. Comp. T. Camelford.
41. V. Ex. Comp. H. T. Bower.
54. V. Ex. Comp. W. C. Forbes, R. Ex. Comp. J. Oswald.
62. V. Ex. Comp. L. F. Riggs.
72. R. Ex. Comp. T. W. Solmes.
75. R. Ex. Comp. W. T. Barnard.
76. V. Ex. Comp. J. E. Brant.
77. V. Ex. Comp. S. G. Newdick.
79. V. Ex. Comp. W. Scott.
80. R. Ex. Comp. J. B. Henderson.
82. V. Ex. Comps. A. V. Bliss, H. B. Hardy, R. Ex. Comp. R. Routly.
95. R. Ex. Comp. C. B. Deeks.
114. R. Ex. Comp. J. P. Morrison.
131. R. Ex. Comp. W. E. M. McLaren
149. R. Ex. Comp. H. G. Hughes.
167 & 34. R. Ex. Comp. J. M. H. McGuire.
175. R. Ex. Comp. W. J. Shaw.
210. V. Ex. Comp. J. E. Kyle.
222. R. Ex. Comp. W. E. Gowling.
227. R. Ex. Comp. H. J. Clarke.
245. R. Ex. Comp. M. H. Smith.
250. R. Ex. Comp. J. B. Henderson.
255. R. Ex. Comp. W. L. Young.

To our Sister Jurisdictions in Canada, the British Commonwealth of Nations and the United States of America we extend our sincere sympathy for the loss of their distinguished Companions.

Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England—
Ex. Comp. Sir Sydney White, K.C.V.O., Grand Scribe E.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta—
M. Ex. Comp. Frederick S. Watson, G.Z. 1916-1917.
M. Ex. Comp. Joseph V. Follett, G.Z. 1932-1933.
M. Ex. Comp. Everett G. Ellerton, G.Z. 1943-1944.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia—
M. Ex. Comp. Donald Adams, G.Z. 1928-1929.
M. Ex. Comp. Andrew Coutts, G.Z. 1952-1953.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama—
M. Ex. Comp. Charles O. Rolfe, G.H.P. 1931.
M. Ex. Comp. Siddons Stollenwerck, G.H.P. 1926.
M. Ex. Comp. Roscoe O. Fleming, G.H.P. 1938.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas—
M. Ex. Comp. Jake W. Thrailkill, G.H.P. 1951-1952.

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California—
M. Ex. Comp. Roy J. Sheldon, G.H.P. 1946-1947.

Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia—
M. Ex. Comp. Robert B. Doing, G.H.P. 1943.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Georgia—
M. Ex. Comp. Bartis E. Goodman, G.H.P. 1945-46.
M. Ex. Comp. John W. Ball, Jr., G.H.P. 1951-1952.
M. Ex. Comp. Lyndon S. Patterson, G.H.P. 1958.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana—
R. Ex. Comp. Charles C. Thomas, Grand Secretary 1939-1948.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois—
M. Ex. Comp. William H. Stevens, G.H.P. 1953-1954.

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Louisiana—
M. Ex. Comp. Henry W. Palfrey, G.H.P. 1926.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Michigan—
M. Ex. Comp. Robert H. Hunt, G.H.P. 1916-1917.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Montana—
M. Ex. Comp. Fred M. Brown, G.H.P. 1946-1947.

The Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska—
M. Ex. Comp. Roy S. Planck, G.H.P. 1950-1951.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Nevada—
M. Ex. Comp. Walter A. Sutton, G.H.P. 1952-1953.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, State of New Hampshire—
M. Ex. Comp. Charles F. Waterman, G.H.P. 1941.

The Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons—
M. Ex. Comp. Earl C. McCulloch, G.H.P. 1944

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Ohio—
M. Ex. Comp. Burleigh E. Cartmell, G.H.P. 1937-1938.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon—
M. Ex. Comp. Frederick W. Davis, G.H.P. 1907-1908.
M. Ex. Comp. H. Wayne Stanard, G.H.P. 1924.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of South Dakota—
M. Ex. Comp. Martin G. Carlisle, G.H.P. 1960.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee—
M. Ex. Comp. Lucien C. Connell, G.H.P. 1952.

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Virginia—
M. Ex. Comp. James N. Hillman, G.H.P. and Grand Secretary Emeritus.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia—
M. Ex. Comp. Robert S. Lemon, P.G.H.P.

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Wisconsin—
M. Ex. Comp. Howard W. Morris, G.H.P. 1955.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming—
M. Ex. Comp. Edward J. Treglown, G.H.P. 1953-4, Grand Secretary 1954-1958.

DEATHS—1958

No. 1—G. Ankers, G. Bowden, O. J. Cherry, L. C. Lockett, P. A. McEwen, W. M. Moore, F. H. Pury, H. V. Redden, J. A. M. Redden, J. A. M. Taylor, H. M. Wilder. No. 2—J. D. Bishop, R. W. Cunningham, B. E. Evans, A. O. Griffith, H. Hahnan, J. Leckie, J. Milton, W. E. Secord, R. G. Seymour, L. N. Woodward. No. 3—S. G. Elliott, J. Smith. No. 4—C. D. Brown, R. J. Bulman, F. S. Hillock, A. W. Joliffe. No. 5—H. E. Abell, J. A. Atcheson, C. J. Condon, S. A. Henry, W. P. Mitchell, O. Reid, E. N. Stanfield, W. H. Walsh, R. Wright. No. 6—J. Young. No. 7—A. Colcutt, H. W. Dillnutt, R. A. Kemp, K. E. Knudsen, W. H. Moorman. No. 8—L. H. Brown, F. G. Holliday, H. Horne, F. W. Sims. No. 15—J. E. Burge, C. E. Livingston, T. H. Milsom, T. Moore, W. R. Wade. No. 16—S. R. Allen, R. L. Anderson, J. A. Atchie, J. Barlow, R. Baxter, S. B. Cohen, M. Davis, W. E. Gowling, W. D. Low, G. P. McClinton, W. R. McPhee, J. K. Neil, W. J. Neville, M. Rosenthal, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 18—K. W. Harvey, M. W. Reid, W. J. Sutherland. No. 19—M. Cressman, W. D. Hannah, N. M. Marshall, N. C. Pracey. No. 20—C. D. McDonald, J. L. Dixon, J. I. Miller, C. Page. No. 22—M R. Barnard, A. C. Casselman, R. B. Henderson. No. 23—H. A. Johnson, W. P. Kemp, L. E. Wedd. No. 24—G N. Blum, F. Bradley, J. Gourlay, R. J. Hyde, A. E. Long, F. C. Ward. No. 26—L. M. Coutts, W. B. McClung, C. K. Orser, J. A. Raymond. No. 27—T. E. Hawkins, C. P. Manning, J. D. Montgomery, A. Wilson. No. 28—N. H. Ashley, T. S. Davidson, E. J. Dickinson, L. M. Germond, R. N. Johns, J. L. Lovell. No. 29—T. Camelford, J. W. Chambers, C. M. Stein. No. 30—D. W. Green, W. E. Alcock, J. A. Graham. No. 31—A. W. Manlow. No. 32—W. L. McGill, S. Taylor, J. S. Webster. No. 34—C. W. Edwards, J. H. M. McGuire, I. McLachlan, J. W. Munro, J. A. M. Taylor, L. O. Vair. No. 35—J. S. Jephson. No. 36—B. Duder, O. W. Hurrie, R. Starr, A. G. Stock, C. B. Waite, F. C. Walker. No. 37—W. J. B. Davison, G. I. Gould, E. J. Pratt. No. 40—R. Donellan, H. Robinson. No. 41—W. H. Bearss, H. F. Bower, E. E. Buck, E. C. Fugard, N. E. McCarthy. No. 44—S. Emsley, W. A. Grange, P. N. Laidley. No. 45—F. J. Wolfram. No. 47—G. Garen, W. Stead, F. E. Trumpour. No. 48—D. H. Cooly. No. 53—L. B. Eastman, W. H. Rolston. No. 54—F. S. Arnum, R. Brebner, W. M. Ferris, W. C. Forbes, C. C. Minor, J. Oswald, J. A. Quick, A. J. Wilson. No. 55—C. S. Herring, L. S. Quinn. No. 56—D. Mackay, G. Manjaris, W. Sherriff. No. 57—W. H. Burgess, G. Pringle. No. 59—H. S. Brown, J. E. Hone, H. N. Jenkinson, B. J. Lawson, C. W. Scace, J. B. Shaw. No. 61—T. C. Erskine, G. Gourlay, J. L. McMullen, T. L. Morton. No. 62—G. S. Henry, J. McL. McFeat, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 64—C. S. Braven, C. McC. Carmichael, E. H. Darby, F. B. Kenney, C. A. McNeil, A. Pender, W. Ross, D. S. Scrymgeour. No. 65—C. H. Bower, L. F. Riggs. No. 66—A. R. Campbell, T. Pryde, M. A. Reid. No. 67—W. C. Chambers. No. 68—J. A. Magee. No. 69—L. E. Monck. No. 71—W. C. Anderson, E. J. Hicks, R. E. Middleton, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 72—E. Bell, H. G. Carleton, R. A. Elliott, G. H. Ferguson, F. M. Garrison, J. Gay, J. O. Herity, R. A. Hermiston, J. B. Lowery, J. A. McDonald, J. S. Marshall, T. W. Solmes, R. A. Sutcliffe, F. E. B. Yeats. No. 73—R. W. Clark, F. Mayhue. No. 74—A, P. Malone, M. C. Morgan, L. L. Shipley. No. 75—C. G. Grant, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 76—G. Bradley, J. E. Brant, R. A. Chambers, D. R. D. Low, F. W. Morcom, H. C. Pattison, R. Riggs. No. 77—J. P. Gee, J. A. Graveley, F. Hopkinson, S. G. Newdick, S. A. W. Park, F. Parker, A. W. Sturdy, J. A. M. Taylor, J. H. Wood. No. 79—W. J. Struth, W. Scott No. 80—H. Freebairn, A. Hall, J. B. Henderson, C. H. Henze, R. C. Morrice, A. J. Wilkinson, R. Young. No. 81—A. Baxter, A. G. Carson, B. Hardy, R. D. McEwen. No. 82—A. A. Anderson, H. H. Barton,

A. V. F. Bliss, S. Bradford, D. Duncan, J. Fidler, D. B. Fraser, H. B. Hardy, R. Routly, J. Singleton. No. 83—H. S. Marshall, B. L. Henderson. No. 84—H. F. McGee, A. M. Crawford. No. 90—J. Lunny, A. Nelson, H. Butler, L. E. Tisdale, N. R. Wickstrom. No. 91—F. C. Becker, F. C. Dann, D. M. Davidson, R. J. Draper, W. Foster, A. W. Miles, Jr., J. A. Montgomery, W. Reid, G. St. Leger, D. F. Sykes, A. S. Taylor, F. Watson, F. H. Wehrley. No. 94—B. Bateson. No. 95—W. J. Burgess, C. B. Deeks, C. A. Durkee, J. M. Rothschild. No. 102—E. Bradley, E. G. Foster, A. Grant, D. W. Green, H. E. Johnson, J. McLean, E. D. Mills, J. Shewfelt. No. 103—J. Yorkston, H. A. McEwen. No. 104—G. C. Gibson, N. McKee. No. 113—R. M. Baxter, M. Buchner, J. Daye, A. Gee, W. C. Moore, A. Nicol, S. Smith, C. R. Spafford. No. 114—A. McNab, J. P. Morrison, T. Lodge, H. V. Hohs. No. 115—R. Anderson, W. H. Garner, C. K. Luke, W. A. W. Woolner. No. 116—S. Neelin, M. G. Poynter. No. 117—C. H. Weber. No. 119—J. R. L. Eede, F. Paterson, J. H. Rham, H. Russels, J. A. M. Taylor, E. L. Weeks, W. F. Woollven. No. 130—V. McLellan, T. Taylor. No. 131—J. E. Grassett, W. E. MacLaren, F. Smith. No. 132—J. A. Bulloch, S. L. McGranaghan, G. Webb. No. 133—C. M. McLeod, H. D. Moffatt, T. J. Porter, H. E. Smith, E. J. Wiltsie. No. 134—R. A. Muir. No. 135—W. Akney, J. L. Birnie, R. Currah, C. H. Dalton. No. 138—S. A. Ash, Jr., R. S. Burt, H. J. Humphrey, I. Marshall, J. L. Rumble, C. H. A. Swanston, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 140—W. H. Green, C. Hebden, J. A. M. Taylor, A. Wilson. No. 145—E. W. Dunn, T. E. Forbear, A. E. H. Grupe, J. R. Harper, A. W. Harris, P. H. Hickson, W. J. Hill, W. J. Hillier, R. S. LaRose, G. Longbottom, J. Powley, A. J. Purse, R. M. Reid, D. B. Ross, C. D. Seymour, F. Scott, W. B. Srigley, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 147—D. J. McCharles, G. MacDonald. No. 149—S. Moe, W. A. Lockhart, W. Gibbs, H. J. Hughes. No. 150—W. Bell, E. A. Dewar, T. W. Drake, J. B. Grieves, J. R. Masterson, A. J. Smith, F. A. Taylor. No. 152—V. H. Morden. No. 153—G. E. Burrows. No. 155—A. Hendry, R. M. Smith. No. 161—J. Morrison. No. 163—S. M. Muir. No. 164—R. Lemon. No. 167—A. Beatty, W. T. Brown, E. F. Burke, J. M. H. McGuire, G. Ross. No. 168—G. W. Buchanan, J. Hoffman. No. 169—H. W. Sutcliffe, E. G. Tapping, J. S. Weir. No. 175—J. E. Brown, L. W. Gay, A. D'I. Lumsden, W. J. Robertson, W. J. Shaw, L. E. Wedd, G. W. Wigle. No. 184—W. Bown, J. Goulding, W. A. Hay, B. F. Warden. No. 195—W. C. Giffen. No. 198—J. D. Clark, P. A. Ellis, R. J. Green, J. A. Hutchison, B. R. Minns, D. T. Taylor. No. 210—W. Brown, J. E. Kyle. No. 212—M. Solomon, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 213—J. T. Jaeger. No. 215—A. E. Shelley. No. 217—J. Armstrong, S. E. Earle. No. 218—T. I. Edwards, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 219—J. D. Glen, H. J. Slocombe, W. A. Summerville. No. 220—C. J. Merritt, F. Peters, R. M. Pickett. No. 222—W. S. Carson, A. T. Delahaye, E. R. Eastman, J. McL. Gillmour, W. E. Gowling, E. Grand, C. L. Hall, J. Henderson, R. E. Isbister, F. McRae, E. A. Olver, J. C. Reilly. No. 224—G. E. Gaylord, J. Humphrey, E. N. Patterson, F. C. Rilett. No. 227—S. Carther, H. J. Clarke, E. W. Cooley, F. W. Frost, H. C. Harns, A. S. Kerr, M. McGhee, C. I. White. No. 230—L. G. Brayley, A. C. Foster, H. U. Hare, E. S. McNeice, R. M. Pickett, W. H. Thomson. No. 231—W. Collins, J. S. Dew, H. B. Lloyd, T. J. Pope, J. A. M. Taylor, S. Whitehead. No. 232—E. Cleves, B. Sproule, J. A. M. Taylor, A. C. Thomson, H. E. Watt. No. 234—G. H. Milne, W. Rigg. No. 238—H. Cooper, A. W. Forrester, L. C. L. Morgan, W. F. Ruskey. No. 241—J. H. Hawes. No. 242—D. McIntyre. No. 243—I. S. Jacobs. No. 245—A. Klaasen, M. H. Smith. No. 246—C. H. Kellam, E. Lush, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 247—M. J. Ayers, I. McLean. No. 249—D. J. Chambers. No. 250—H. Abraham, J. B. Henderson, R. A. R. McKibbon, F. Millar, J. A. Shaw, J. A. M. Taylor. No. 251—S. Davis, T. Forsyth, R. J. Henry. No. 252—H. L. Foster, D. J. Handy, J. Vernon, H. E. Waite. No. 253—A. E. Borland. No. 254—W. H. Green, R. Routly. No. 255—L. W. Young.

JOHN ALEXANDER MACDONALD TAYLOR
HORNBY - ONTARIO
Most Excellent Grand Z.
1953-4

Born: February 26th, 1887 Died: May 19th, 1958

In Memoriam

John Alexander Macdonald Taylor

Past Grand First Principal Z

On May 19, 1958, a few days after the close of the One Hundredth Anniversary of Grand Chapter, our Masonic family was plunged into grief by the passing of our highly esteemed and beloved Most Excellent Companion John Alexander Macdonald Taylor, who served as our Grand Z. for the years 1953-1954. He graced the office in a firm, genial and friendly manner, always willing to assist and give advice to Chapters and Companions, and with them he left a warm and lasting impression of his sincerity in Masonry.

He was born February 26, 1887, at Jones Falls, Leeds County, Ontario, and received his early education at Latimer, Frontenac County, and High School at Sydenham, followed by a business administration course at Kingston Business College and a salesmanship course at Sheldon Business Institute in 1906. For the next eleven years he was engaged with wholesale tool firms, nine years in Montreal, and he was then transferred to Toronto.

In 1918 he formed his own Company, the J. A. M. Taylor Tool Company, Limited, acting as President and the members of his family being Directors. He enjoyed a very successful business, with offices and factories in Toronto and Galt, and a branch in Montreal.

His Masonic career began in 1917. Initiated, Passed and Raised in Georgina Lodge, No. 343, A.F. & A.M., Toronto, a Charter Member of Bay of Quinte Lodge, No. 620, Toronto, in 1923; Worshipful Master 1932, became District Deputy Grand Master of Toronto District B 1936-1937. Exalted in Shekinah Chapter, No. 138, Toronto, in 1918, affiliated in King Cyrus Chapter, No. 232, Toronto, in 1938 and First Principal 1944. He was made Honourary Companion of some nineteen Chapters during his lifetime. In 1946 he was elected as Grand Scribe N., 1947 and 1948 elected to the Grand Executive Committee, elected Grand J. 1949-1950; Grand H. 1951-1952; Grand First Principal Z. 1953-1954. He was the Grand Representative for the Grand Chapter of Quebec, near the Grand Chapter of R.A.M. of Canada. He was an Honourary Past President of the Order of High Priesthood of Ontario. He was a 32 degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of Cyrene Preceptory No. 29, Toronto, a member of Rameses Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.; a Past Grand Master of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of Ontario; Past Grand Commander Noah, Royal Ark Mariners of Ontario, Past Most Puissant Sovereign Holy Land Conclave, No. 3, Toronto; Past Grand Sovereign of the Masonic and Military Orders of Knights of the Holy Sepulchre and Knights of St. John the Evangelist, and a Knight Grand Cross of that Order. He was also a member of the Canadian Masonic Research Association. He will always be remembered for the splendid contribution he made to all fields of Masonic endeavour.

He was a much loved and respected Husband and Father.

F. J. J.

GRAND CHAPTER "CALLED OFF"

Grand Chapter was "Called Off" at 4.30 o'clock p.m. to permit the Delegates to select their Grand Superintendents and elect the Officers of Grand Chapter for the ensuing year and the next place of meeting.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1959

Grand Chapter was "Called On" at 9.30 o'clock a.m.

ELECTION REPORT

V. Ex. Comp. J. A. Prince, Chairman, and V. Ex. Comp. S. Solley, Vice-Chairman, presented the results of the Election as follows:

R. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith ..... Grand Z.
R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett ..... Grand H.
R. Ex. Comp. Frazer Hay ..... Grand J.
R. Ex. Comp. Rev. Alex. Campbell ..... Grand Chaplain
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean ..... Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson ..... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. Leonard Dowdell ..... Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. David A. McDonald ..... Grand Principal Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. J. Edwin Evans ..... Grand Registrar

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Elected

R. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, 581 Weller St., Peterborough, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Andrew F. Tannahill, Apt. 104—780 Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. F. Carl Ackert, 1 Lincoln Ave., Galt, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. George A. Phillips Jr., 39 Daniel St., Smiths Falls, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd B. Gillespie, 410 Eden Ave., Ottawa, Ont.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

The nominations for Grand Superintendents were submitted to the Most Excellent the Grand Z., who was pleased to approve, and the following selections were confirmed:

St. Clair District No. 1 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Earl K. Rupert, 1033 James St., Wallaceburg, Ont.
London District No. 2 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Robert A. Hamilton, Box 293, 203 North Arthur St., Point Edward, Ont.
Wilson District No. 3 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Albert E. Thurlow 510 Henry St., Woodstock, Ont.
Wellington District No. 4 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Thomas Forrester, 22 Wright Ave., Galt, Ont.
Hamilton District No. 5 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Donald S. Stephens, 35 Whitton Rd., Hamilton, Ont.
Huron District No. 6 ..... R. Ex. Comp. James A. Boyle, Box 146, Lucknow, Ont.
Niagara District No. 7 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Donald Winn, 72 Elm St., Port Colborne, Ont.
Toronto East No. 8 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Frederick W. D. Welham, 60 Stewart Smith Drive., Toronto 15, Ont.
Toronto West No. 8a ..... R. Ex. Comp. Andrew F. Nisbet, Jr., 17 Sturton Rd., Weston, Ont.
Georgian District No. 9 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Burnett C. Lamble, 133 Matchedash St. N., Orillia, Ont.
Ontario District No. 10 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Thomas H. Burgis, 48 Ranney St. N., Campbellford, Ont.
Prince Edward District No. 11 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Thomas C. Lloyd, Bannockburn, Ont.
St. Lawrence District No. 12 ..... R. Ex. Comp. John C. Sim, Box 17, Middle St. Cardinal, Ont.

Ottawa District No. 13 ..... R. Ex. Comp. John Sinclair,
177 Dahlia St., Ottawa, Ont.
Algoma District No. 14 ..... R. Ex. Comp. John A. Cox,
45 St. Charles St., Dryden, Ont.
New Ontario District No. 15 ..... R. Ex. Comp. William McKee,
19 Churchill St., Creighton Mine, Ont.
Temiskaming District No. 16 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Reginald Pinegar,
74 First St., Box 234, Kirkland Lake, Ont.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

The One Hundred and Second Annual Convocation will be held in the City of Toronto, Ontario, on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 12 and 13, 1960, commencing at ten o'clock in the forenoon as per Section 20 of the Constitution.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Membership is delighted to report another increase in membership for the year 1958. The net increase of 138 is 82 more than the net increase of 56 last year and is the first gain over the previous year which we have experienced since 1953.

This appears to be a reversal of the downward trend which has troubled Grand Chapter for several years, and let us hope that it marks the commencement of a new period of growth in strength and numbers. For this happy state of affairs we must pay tribute to the efforts of the Grand Superintendents who have laboured among the Chapters, to the Grand First Principal and Grand Chapter Officers who have carried the message of membership throughout the jurisdiction, to those active Chapter Membership Committees which have given leadership and direction to the work, and to the Companions who have answered the call and heeded their responsibility to "bring light and knowledge to uninformed brethren."

In order that our Companions may understand the present situation and know the factors which affect membership, the following statistical report covering the past ten years has been prepared:

TEN YEAR ANALYSIS OF MEMBERSHIP RECORDS

Year	Admissions	Joinings	Restorations	Total Admissions	Withdrawals	Suspensions	Deaths	Total Deletions	Net Increase	Membership End of Year
1949	1,322	86	48	1,456	154	113	441	708	748	20,070
1950	1,187	100	58	1,345	199	112	455	766	579	20,649
1951	1,047	81	38	1,166	171	184	502	857	309	20,958
1952	1,051	100	34	1,185	189	197	463	849	336	21,294
1953	1,139	75	46	1,260	214	169	400	783	477	21,771
1954	1,045	86	34	1,165	234	151	453	838	327	22,098
1955	952	55	31	1,038	175	188	475	838	200	22,298
1956	943	73	22	1,038	223	182	497	902	136	22,434
1957	879	78	27	984	242	150	536	928	56	22,490
1958	902	99	20	1,021	228	152	503	883	138	22,628

In analyzing the record of 1958, your Committee finds that 12 Districts showed a net gain in membership of 189, while 6 Districts showed a net loss of 51.

While statistics may be uninspiring, yet it is urged that very Companion study the above table, for therein will be revealed our strength and our weaknesses, where improvement can be made and where im-

provement must be made if we are to maintain and increase our membership. The following comments are offered in the hope that the factors affecting our numerical growth will be appreciated.

DEATHS

The one thing over which we have no control is the loss of membership by death. That is in the hands of a Higher Power. All we can do is to replace the loss by bringing in new members. In reviewing the records of the past 52 years our loss of 503 by death is the second highest in that period, exceeded only by the loss of 536 in 1957. Referring to the same record, there has been a steadily mounting number of deaths year by year, and this has but one meaning, namely, that we now have a greater proportion of older members and we have not been bringing in a sufficient number of younger candidates to lower the average age. We can, therefore, expect a high loss by death to continue for some years to come.

It is quite apparent from this trend, if for no other reason, that we must redouble our efforts in the field of membership. Voices that are stilled can no longer tell the story of the Royal Arch or teach its principles. It is up to us, the living, to take on extra responsibility for spreading light and knowledge and bringing into our Companionship our less fortunate brethren.

WITHDRAWALS

Withdrawals continue at a rate higher than we would wish. True, a loss of 228 is less than the previous year, but still the third highest year for the past seventeen. Many of these losses are preventable by Chapters following up requests for demits, endeavouring to renew the interest and attendance of such Companions.

SUSPENSIONS

While the loss of 152 by suspension is slightly lower than the average for the past ten years, it is still a loss that can be kept to a minimum by prompt action of the Chapters. Suspensions are caused by non-payment of dues. When non-payment is due to financial reasons it is hoped, particularly in cases where membership has been retained for many years, that Chapters will exercise Masonic Charity and remit dues which would cause hardship to pay.

Where non-payment of dues is the result of loss of interest or neglect, it is urged that no formal action be taken by a Chapter until after thorough investigation and every effort being made to retain the interest of the Companion and restore him to active attendance and fellowship.

RESTORATIONS

The Membership Committee has in its possession a statistical report on membership from the year 1907, and it is with regret that it has to report that 1958 with only 20 restorations is the lowest in all that time. It would seem evident that we are neglecting to follow up as earnestly as in the past our suspended members to heal and restore them to membership. This is a situation which calls for our immediate attention and most vigorous action. It is recommended that each Chapter review its suspensions for several years back and make a concerted effort to bring these former members back into the fold.

JOININGS

The additions to our membership through joinings and affiliations do not seem to vary widely from year to year. It must be remembered, however, that they are much smaller than our losses by withdrawal. For instance, in the year 1958 there were 228 withdrawals and only 99 joinings, or a net loss of 129. As this goes on year after year, it can be appreciated how large an inroads this has made in our membership. It means that there must be a great number of unaffiliated Royal Arch Masons in our jurisdiction, and if these could be sought out and brought back into active membership our numbers could be increased materially.

ADMISSIONS

Admissions for 1958 at 902 were up 23 from the previous year, but on looking over past records, except for the depression and war years from 1930 to 1942, it is still the second lowest since 1907. It must be admitted that we are simply not bringing in enough new candidates to assure an adequate annual increase in membership.

RECOMMENDATIONS

From the foregoing discussion of the factors affecting membership it is quite evident there must be a continued and concerted effort made in the task of maintaining and increasing membership. In line with suggestions offered last year your Committee now makes three specific recommendations, namely:

1. Every Grand Chapter Officer and Member on all possible occasions should make every effort to inspire the Companions of our Chapters to greater exertion in bringing in new members whether as candidates or affiliates. Your Committee believes that an interest has been created among our Companions, but in order to maintain that interest at a high level and keep it at work our leaders must keep constantly reiterating the call and impressing on our members their responsibility to "bring more light and knowledge" to their brethren.

2. Active Chapter Membership Committees are necessary to give leadership and guidance to the Companions, and your Committee is convinced that not all Chapters have such Committees, and even then, many of them must be far from active, considering the results of the past few years. True, the obtaining of members is the responsibility of every Companion, but an active Committee can give inspiration to the work and take on itself the task of maintaining membership by following up every request for demit and investigating every Companion due for suspension.

3. Small attendance at Chapter convocations cannot inspire our candidates to a regular attendance themselves. In fact it is not a condition conducive to bringing in candidates. Your Committee therefore recommends that Chapters make a serious effort to increase the percentage of attendance and urges the appointmnt of Attendance Committees to give leadership and active support to that work. It must be recognized, however, that they must be aided by the Chapters maintaining the quality of their meetings, the standard of their work and interesting programmes during the social hour. Every effort in that direction will be amply repaid.

YUKON

It might be well to call to the attention of our Companions that if the Notice of Motion seceding jurisdiction over the Yukon Territory is approved we shall suffer an immediate loss in membership of 152. It is therefore necessary during the present year to make a special effort to bring in still more candidates to offset that loss before we can count on any net increase.

CONCLUSION

Your Committee would not have it believed that it is interested only in numerical gain. While this is important, the Committee is even more interested in the quality of the members gained. Any "drive" for members merely for the purpose of increasing our numbers is, in the long run, doomed to failure. Such members lose interest easily, drop their attendance and are often lost through withdrawal or suspension. But candidates who make application because they have had aroused in them a desire for more light and knowledge, to share in the teachings and privileges and Companionship of the Royal Arch, are more apt to be retained in active membership to add strength and influence to Capitular Masonry.

It is our earnest hope that our Companions will remember the admonition to bring "assistance, light and knowledge to uninformed brethren," and if membership is approached with this attitude we are sure that the record of our growth over the years will show worthwhile increases.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

A. K. Campbell,
F. Scott,
J. H. McClure,
W. L. Brown,
G. Neill,
D. H. Robertson,
A. F. Tannahill, Chairman.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. A. F. Tannahill, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Special Committee on Membership be received and adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS AND GREETINGS

Letters, etc. were received conveying greetings and expressing regrets for non-attendance from:

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Alberta—
M. Ex. Comp. A. F. Lissack.
M. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Hand, P.G.Z. and Grand Scribe E.

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia—
M. Ex. Comp. Thomas W. H. Walker.
M. Ex. Comp. Ed. B. Baker, P.G. Z. and Grand Scribe E.

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba—
M. Ex. Comp. Cecil J. Hutchings, P.G.Z. and Grand Scribe E.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Brunswick—
M. Ex. Comp. John A. Goweatte, Grand Z.
M. Ex. Comp. Roy E. Crawford, P.G.Z., and Grand Scribe E.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec—
M. Ex. Comp. J. H. A. Morecraft, Grand Z.
M. Ex. Comp. Herbert Pickering, Hon. P.G.Z. and Grand Scribe E.
M. Ex. Comp. A. J. Osgoode, P.G.Z. and our Representative.

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan—
M. Ex. Comp. Dr. J. P. Whyte.
M. Ex. Comp. Alfred A. Wilson, P.G.Z. and Grand Scribe E.

The Sovereign Great Priory of Canada—
M. Ex. Comp. Lorne Johnson, P.G.Z. and Grand Master.

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Dominion of Canada—
Sovereign Grand Commander James A. Simpson 33°.

Supreme Grand Arch Chapter of Scotland—
M. Ex. Comp. The Royal the Earl of Galloway, First Grand Principal.
M. Ex. Comp. William A. Laird, Grand Scribe E.

Most Excellent Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Connecticut—
M. Ex. Comp. Bliss W. Clark, P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Delaware—
M. Ex. Comp. A. Warren Wheatley, G.H.P.
M. Ex. Comp. Alfred H. Coe, P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.

Most Excellent Grand Chapter R.A.M. of the State of Florida—
M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Amold.
M. Ex. Comp. John B. Phelphs, P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois—
M. Ex. Comp. Harry E. Freeland.
M. Ex. Comp. Edward E. Core, P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.

Grand Chapter of Maine Royal Arch Masons—
M. Ex. Comp. Nelson B. Camick, G.H.P.
M. Ex. Comp. Earle D. Webster, P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland—
M. Ex. Comp. Bird H. Dolby, G.H.P.
M. Ex. Comp. James H. Falk, P.G.H.P.
M. Ex. Comp. D. Ross Vansant Jr., P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.
Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts—
M. Ex. Comp. William F. Clark, P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.
Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan—
M. Ex. Comp. Roy Andrus, P.G.H.P., and Grand Secretary.
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Ohio—
M. Ex. Comp. Oliver H. Ormiston, G.H.P.
The Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania—
M. Ex. Comp. John C. F. Witselman, Grand Secretary.
Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Vermont—
M. Ex. Comp. Arthur E. Dietrich, G.H.P.
R. Ex. Comp. Aaron H. Grout, Grand Secretary.
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Virginia—
M. Ex. Comp. Carl F. Wood, Grand Secretary.

ARCHIVE COMMITTEE

M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle in his address reported the death of the Grand Archivist R. Ex. Comp. W. J. Shaw on December 2, 1958. This and other factors prevented action by the Committee for the past year.

This report is being submitted for action and the naming of a new Committee in accordance with Section 19A of the Constitution.

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, and—

Resolved—That R. Ex. Comp. B. S. Scott be Grand Archivist, and Grand Historian, Grand Scribe E., R. Ex. Comps. T. N. Clarke, J. A. Kennedy.

OFFICERS INSTALLED AND INVESTED

M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden installed and invested the newly elected officers of Grand Chapter, including the Grand Superintendents of the several Districts, and they were proclaimed and saluted according to ancient custom.

VOTE OF THANKS

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, and—

Resolved—That the thanks of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario be extended to:

The Credential Committee, under the direction of R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland, for the efficient manner in which they carried out their duties;

The Scrutineers, under the direction of V. Ex. Comp. A. J. Prince, for their services in taking charge of the Election of the Officers;

General Chairman and Sub-Committees, for their untiring and successful success and achievements;

The Installing Board, under the direction of M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden, and his Past Grand Z.'s, and to all those who have contributed to the success of this start of our Second Century of progress in this labour of love for our Order.

REMARKS OF GRAND Z. ON ASSUMING OFFICE

Most Excellent Comps., Most Worshipful Sir, Distinguished Guests and Companions:

It is indeed a great honour and pleasure to be installed as the Grand First Principal of this Grand Chapter. I am especially mindful of the re-

sponsibilities of office at a time when Capitular Masonry within our Grand Jurisdiction commences its second century of existence as a vital force for the good of man. Beginning in its infancy one hundred years ago with a few faithful and persevering Companions it has steadily flourished and grown in stature. Those first few Companions have, through their unstinted effort and talents, steadily increased our membership until today, at the dawn of a new century, the principles and concepts of Capitular Masonry are inculcated and practised by twenty two thousand, six hundred and twenty eight faithful Companions.

This, my Companions, is a great tribute to those early Companions who toiled so diligently in that first century of progress. With the aid of the pick, crowbar and shovel our sojourners of the first century cleared a place for the foundations of the second temple and in so doing freed us from ignorance and vice and erected for us the temple of our moral and spiritual life which we attend today.

The labours of those earlier Companions have endowed us with a rich heritage of physical, moral and spiritual wealth. As we commence our second century it rest squarely upon us to remember and always act upon those principles and concepts which we hold dear and which are the very roots and foundations of Capitular Masonry.

My Companions, the Temple has been built, but to ensure its continuing strength and sturdiness we must tighten the moral and spiritual fibres by regular and increasing attendance. The attendance of a few is not enough . . . the attendance of many . . . all striving for the welfare of the individual Chapters is vital.

We are commencing this first year of the second century with a great responsibility. I charge each one of you to recall that part of your obligation which calls upon you to impart light and knowledge to your uninformed brethren. Companions, enlighten your uninformed brethren, starting today. Bring them to the Temple of truth and wisdom in ever-increasing numbers. Let us raise the four large banners of the army of Israel for all uninformed brethren to see. In so doing a tremendous force for good will be in the hands of a host of Companions tomorrow and in ever-increasing numbers throughout the span of this second century of Capitular Masonry. Let us make this a record year of increased membership.

You will all recall that old favourite hymn, "Now the day is over, Night is drawing nigh, Shadows of the evening steal across the sky."

Companions, a century has drawn to a close. But a new day is dawning for a new century. Will the shadows of the evening steal across our sky or will we greet the dawn with renewed faith, vigour and enthusiasm? Let us make our day and our century one of great achievement and progress. Let us in turn leave an afterglow and a sunset at the close of our labours as a promise of an even better tomorrow and third century for those Companions who follow us.

My Companions, I approach my new responsibilities with humbleness and humility. To follow such distinguished Royal Arch Masons as the Past Grand "Z.'s" of the Grand Chapter of Canada is not an honour but a great challenge. My heartfelt thanks go to those Companions who have supported and guided me throughout the year. With the continued support and guidance of the great Jehovah and all Companions I pledge my best to you . . . and may the blessing of the Most High be with you all.

APPOINTED TO OFFICE

The following appointments have been made by Most Ex. Comp. B. H. Smith:

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The labours of the Annual Convocation being ended, Grand Chapter was closed in Ample Form at 12.30 p.m., Toronto, Ontario, Wednesday, April 29, 1959.

Fred. J. Johnson.

Grand Scribe E.

Monday evening, April 27, 1959, the Grand Z., M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, invited his Council, P.G.Z.'s, Executive Committee to a dinner in the Tudor Room, Royal York Hotel, Toronto, to assist him in doing honour to his distinguished guests. At the same time Mrs. M. A. Searle and her Committee entertained the wives and ladies of our distinguished guests with a dinner, etc. in the Quebec Room, Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

Tuesday evening, April 28, 1959, the annual banquet was held in the Concert Hall of the Royal York Hotel, over 500 Companions and their ladies being present. Our Grand Z. was the Chairman and he provided a very interesting programme. The guest speaker, Judge V. Lorne Stewart, the Senior Judge of the Juvenile and Family Court of Metropolitan Toronto, gave a very informative and enlightening address of some of the problems his department is confronted with every day. At the close of his address he was applauded roundly and came in for a lot of congratulations after the meeting was over. We were entertained by the East York Barber Shoppers, a very fine group of singers. Their songs delighted everyone present.

During the Convocation our Grand Z. asked each of his guests for their personal observations and greetings from their Grand Chapters.

This Grand Chapter received numerous letters and communications congratulating it on its 101st Convocation.

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FINANCE

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CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden, Q.C.

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M. Ex. Comp. B. S. Scott.

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EDUCATION

Grand Council, Past Grand Z.'s, Grand Lecturer and Grand Scribe E.

MEMBERSHIP

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R. Ex. Comp. A. F. Tannahill (Chairman), M. Ex. Comps. M. A. Searle, J. L. House, R. Ex. Comps. J. E. Girven, C. W. Emmett.

BURSARY COMMITTEE

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1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui,	Kingston	3rd Fri.	W. H. Gummer	T. N. Clarke	336	8	—	—	1	4	10	329	93	—	7
2	The Hiram,	Hamilton	4th Fri.	John Dewar	E. M. Marshall	210	8	—	—	3	—	10	205	65	—	5
3	St. John's,	London	4th Wed.	R. Coon	Chas. G. Smuck	241	13	1	—	2	4	2	247	71	6	—
4	St. Andrew & St. John,	Toronto	1st Mon.	Herbert A. Sayers	L. G. Jackson	193	4	—	1	5	—	4	189	50	—	4
5	St. George's,	London	4th Fri.	Hans E. Pedersen	J. A. Kennedy	330	7	1	—	3	9	9	317	122	—	13
6	St. John's,	Hamilton	2nd Thurs.	James Brownlie	C. Pepper	160	6	—	—	—	1	1	164	44	4	—
7	The Moira,	Belleville	1st Tues.	Harry Huis	S. H. Lennox	247	11	—	—	1	—	5	252	8	5	—
8	King Solomon's,	Toronto	4th Thurs.	James Keillor	A. T. Lewis	272	12	—	—	—	1	4	279	73	7	—
15	Wawanosh,	Sarnia	2nd Fri.	Leslie C. Ewener	H. R. Marriott	197	5	—	1	3	—	5	195	28	—	2
16	Carelton,	Ottawa	3rd Wed.	Claude Vickers	F. A. McDiarmid	618	36	1	—	1	—	15	639	102	21	—
18	Oxford,	Woodstock	4th Fri.	D. A. Ward	R. D. McKenzie	203	6	—	—	2	—	3	204	23	1	—
19	Mount Moriah,	St. Catharines	2nd Fri.	Lewis B. Phillips	C. M. Porter	248	4	1	—	4	4	4	241	10	—	7
20	Mount Horeb,	Brantford	3rd Thurs.	Roy M. Nelles	R. W. E. McFadden	181	1	—	—	—	3	4	175	70	—	6
22	Grenville,	Prescott	2nd Tues.	Roy Lindsay	C. P. Laushway	92	3	1	—	1	—	3	92	8	—	—
23	Ezra,	Simcoe	2nd Thurs.	Leo O'Connor	T. C. Holland	154	10	—	—	5	—	3	156	22	2	—
24	Tecumseh,	Stratford	4th Fri.	J. A. Swatridge	G. S. Atkins	250	6	—	—	1	4	6	245	22	—	5
26	St. Mark's,	Trenton	3rd Tues.	Walter Turton	F. W. Sherbert	140	5	2	—	4	—	4	139	31	—	1
27	Manitou,	Collingwood	4th Wed.	Fred C. Melton	R. H. Davidson	157	2	—	—	1	—	4	154	33	—	3
28	Pentalpha,	Oshawa	1st Tues.	W. E. McKinstry	Walter R. Jones	233	14	3	1	1	1	6	243	40	10	—
29	McCallum,	Dunnville	3rd Mon.	John R. McCarthy	F. R. Martin	120	3	1	—	1	—	3	120	6	—	—
30	Huron,	Goderich	3rd Tues.	C. E. Laithwaite	W. H. Roope	132	6	—	—	—	1	3	134	9	2	—
31	Prince Edward,	Picton	3rd Mon.	F. R. Greatrix, Jr.	F. J. MacArthur	208	6	2	—	4	3	1	208	6	—	—
32	Waterloo,	Galt	4th Thurs.	F. H. Ketchabaw	G. J. Johnson	153	10	1	—	2	3	3	156	22	3	—
34	Signet,	Barrie	2nd Tues.	G. B. Hopkins	A. G. Bowie	142	3	—	—	2	3	6	134	47	—	8
35	Keystone,	Whitby	2nd Mon.	F. F. Campbell	C. W. Stafford	94	—	—	—	—	—	1	93	4	—	1
36	Corinthian,	Peterborough	4th Fri.	W. E. Bannon	D. Miller	327	15	—	—	2	2	6	332	32	5	—
37	Victoria,	Port Hope	2nd Fri.	E. J. McKeever	J. F. Cornish	153	4	—	1	—	—	3	155	41	2	—
40	Guelph,	Guelph	2nd Fri.	Oliver T. Flint	J. A. Robertson	219	5	—	1	9	—	2	214	9	—	5
41	Harris,	Ingersoll	2nd Fri.	William Irwin	L. L. Mansfield	112	4	—	—	—	—	5	111	7	—	1
44	Mount Sinai,	Napanee	3rd Wed.	J. C. Tustin	G. L. Brown	131	2	—	—	1	—	3	129	10	—	2
45	Excelsior,	Colborne	1st Fri.	L. Chatterson	W. J. Troop, Jr.	40	2	1	2	1	—	1	43	—	3	—
46	St. James,	St. Mary's	2nd Mon.	C. H. Salvadge	J. W. Durr	63	4	—	1	—	—	—	68	16	5	—

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47	Wellington,	Chatham	2nd Thurs.	Gordon Ford	H. D. Paulucci	164	—	—	—	6	6	3	149	9	—	15
48	St. John's,	Cobourg	4th Tues.	J. A. Kernaghan	E. W. Niles	99	4	1	—	—	—	1	103	9	4	—
53	Bruce,	Petrolia	3rd Wed.	R. W. Bygrove	R. M. Story	72	—	1	—	—	—	2	71	6	—	1
54	Palestine,	St. Thomas	2nd Thurs.	William Cowie	K. S. Woodward	309	8	—	—	2	—	8	307	80	—	2
55	Niagara,	Niagara-on-the-Lake	1st Fri.	Geo. E. Irvine	Stanley J. May	69	4	—	—	2	—	2	69	1	—	—
56	Georgian,	Owen Sound	3rd Tues.	David P. Low	C. J. Baxendale	102	4	—	—	—	—	3	103	31	1	—
57	King Hiram,	Port Colborne	1st Thurs.	J. O. Killer	L. L. Doan	93	8	—	—	—	—	2	99	7	6	—
58	Pembroke,	Mattawa	Inactive			20	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	14	—	—
59	Sussex-St. Lawrence,	Brockville	1st Mon.	A. Regan	H. N. McKenney	348	10	—	—	—	1	6	351	73	3	—
61	Granite,	Almonte	2nd Thurs.	John Ellis	Cyril Osborne	100	1	1	—	1	5	4	92	2	—	8
62	York,	Toronto	2nd Fri.	A. H. Gray	Harold A. Armstrong	146	5	1	—	4	1	3	144	24	—	2
63	Havelock,	Kincardine	3rd Wed.	H. J. Norman	R. J. Kincaid	83	2	—	—	2	—	—	83	2	—	—
64	Willson,	Welland	1st Wed.	E. A. Lee	R. S. Doan	154	3	1	—	9	—	8	141	2	—	13
65	St. Paul's,	Toronto	2nd Wed.	Wm. J. Yarmey	C. C. Kilner	110	6	—	—	—	—	2	114	20	4	—
66	The Malloch,	Seaforth	3rd Mon.	Frank Case	Chas. A. Barber	80	5	—	—	—	—	3	82	2	2	—
67	Enterprise,	Palmerston	2nd Tues.	F. B. Jonson	Archie McGugan	88	1	—	—	—	—	1	88	4	—	—
68	Maitland,	Kemptville	2nd Thurs.	Arthur Guy	Cecil D. Beckett	101	1	1	—	—	—	1	102	2	1	—
69	Grimsby,	Beamsville	1st Mon.	L. W. Smith	W. Fairbrother	70	3	1	—	1	—	1	72	7	2	—
71	Prince of Wales,	Essex	2nd Thurs.	Thos. Weaver	R. Chas. Brushett	150	6	—	—	1	1	3	151	13	1	—
72	Keystone,	Stirling	4th Thurs.	E. John Chard	R. Earl Fox	82	5	2	—	1	—	14	74	7	—	8
73	Erie,	Ridgetown	3rd Mon.	A. W. Overfield	Thos. E. Armstrong	103	1	1	—	1	—	2	102	1	—	1
74	Beaver,	Strathroy	1st Mon.	J. M. Hassard	A. W. Holt	98	3	—	—	1	—	3	97	10	—	1
75	St. Clair,	Milton	3rd Thurs.	N. A. McPhail	Edwin Harrop	84	5	1	—	2	3	2	83	—	—	1
76	Mount Nebo,	Niagara Falls	3rd Fri.	F. W. E. Smith	Chas. H. Sheppard	126	2	1	1	1	1	7	121	61	—	5
77	Occident,	Toronto	2nd Fri.	M. Holditch	S. Bustard	388	19	2	—	4	9	9	387	93	—	1
78	Minnewawa,	Parkhill	3rd Mon.	C. A. McGregor	Chas. J. Fox	97	8	—	—	1	—	—	104	1	7	—
79	Orient,	Toronto	4th Wed.	H. F. Myers	Albert O. Cook	95	4	—	—	1	—	2	96	24	1	—
80	Ark,	Windsor	1st Mon.	Harold Tootill	C. W. Flett	334	5	2	—	1	6	7	327	113	—	7
81	Aylmer,	Aylmer	1st Thurs.	A. A. Inkster	R. E. Moore	121	4	—	2	6	—	4	117	13	—	4
82	Shuniah,	Port Arthur	3rd Wed.	W. E. Shaw	S. H. Green	288	6	1	—	1	6	10	278	48	—	10
83	Ionic,	Orangeville	4th Tues.	W. J. McCall	W. L. Ewing	98	3	—	—	1	—	2	98	6	—	—
84	Lebanon,	Wingham	3rd Tues.	James A. Mair	E. S. Gauley	110	7	—	—	2	—	2	113	12	3	—
88	MacNabb,	Dresden	4th Tues.	S. E. Stevenson	Hugh M. Dunlop	101	5	1	—	—	—	—	107	—	6	—

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90	Golden,	Kenora	4th Wed.	C. W. Rotnem	J. F. Bellamy	171	5	—	—	2	1	5	168	10	—	3
91	Toronto-Antiquity,	Toronto	3rd Mon.	H. Plunkett	James Silk	209	5	—	—	1	—	13	200	52	—	9
94	Midland,	Lindsay	3rd Thurs.	G. K. Johnson	L. A. Gilkinson	114	3	1	—	4	—	1	113	30	—	1
95	Tuscan,	Sudbury	2nd Tues.	W. G. Mahaffy	P. A. Coates	319	13	—	—	2	—	4	326	23	7	—
102	Algonquin,	Sault Ste. Marie	1st Fri.	P. G. Connolly	Geo. E. Hall	267	8	—	—	1	3	8	263	38	—	4
103	St. John's,	North Bay	1st Thurs.	J. A. Stevenson	J. H. Stevenson	163	5	2	—	—	1	2	167	34	4	—
104	White Oak,	Oakville	2nd Tues.	J. A. R. Shaw	J. E. Taylor	100	7	—	—	1	—	2	104	2	4	—
110	Warkworth,	Warkworth	2nd Wed.	Earl R. Nelson	Alan Buchanan	53	3	—	—	2	—	—	54	—	1	—
112	St. John's,	Morrisburg	3rd Mon.	Wm. Disotell	E. J. MacDougal	126	11	—	—	3	—	—	134	9	8	—
113	Covenant,	Cornwall	3rd Wed.	R. F. Atchison	G. E. McCutcheon	257	18	—	—	—	1	8	266	25	9	—
114	Bonnechere,	Renfrew	3rd Mon.	C. E. Tysick	H. Young	104	7	—	—	2	—	4	105	12	1	—
115	Brant,	Paris	3rd Mon.	C. W. Spicer	H. J. Broughton	133	3	—	—	—	—	4	132	14	—	1
116	Maple,	Carleton Place	1st Wed.	W. H. Edwards	W. E. S. Root	125	2	1	—	—	—	2	126	37	1	—
117	Kitchener,	Kitchener	1st Fri.	Harold L. Becker	W. R. Cooper	193	7	3	—	3	4	1	195	12	2	—
119	King Cyrus,	Leamington	2nd Wed.	A. Cresswell	G. Bloomfield	169	7	—	—	2	—	7	167	27	—	2
129	Elliot,	Mitchell	1st Tues.	Stanley Earl	J. K. Taylor	86	1	—	—	—	1	—	86	7	—	—
130	Chantry,	Southampton	1st Tues.	Wallace Gregg	Howard Yates	64	1	—	—	—	—	2	63	4	—	1
131	Amabel,	Wiarton	Last Tues.	H. Gibb	G. G. Sinclair	95	4	—	—	—	—	3	96	2	1	—
132	Leeds,	Gananoque	4th Tues.	R. H. Paddle	R. G. Kelly	110	2	—	—	2	—	3	107	10	—	3
133	St. Francis,	Smiths Falls	3rd Fri.	O. B. Lauber	C. A. Bailey	191	3	—	—	2	—	5	187	6	—	4
134	King Darius,	Cannington	3rd Wed.	L. Parliament	E. R. Waines	57	8	—	—	—	1	1	63	—	6	—
135	Succoth,	Uxbridge	2nd Thurs.	C. G. Armstrong	H. V. Watson	68	1	—	1	1	1	4	64	7	—	4
138	Shekinah,	Toronto	2nd Tues.	B. W. Spencer	Jos. Benson	220	19	3	—	2	1	7	232	28	12	—
140	Fort William,	Fort William	1st Mon.	W. S. Shaver	F. Gerrie	151	3	1	—	2	1	4	148	8	—	3
143	Glengarry,	Maxville	4th Fri.	S. W. MacKay	C. B. McDermid	56	4	—	—	—	—	—	60	5	4	—
144	Presqu'ile,	Brighton	3rd Tues.	J. E. Solomon	C. A. Wilson	54	2	—	—	—	2	—	54	2	—	—
145	The St. Patrick,	Toronto	3rd Fri.	B. F. Forward	J. R. Legecy	404	17	—	—	1	4	18	398	92	—	6
146	Bernard,	Listowel	1st Tues.	Oscar Thompson	W. H. Sargent	116	4	—	—	2	—	—	118	3	2	—
147	Lucknow,	Lucknow	2nd Tues.	R. McIntosh	A. C. Agnew	72	4	—	—	—	—	2	74	—	2	—
148	St. John's,	Vankleek Hill	1st Fri.	J. L. Taylor	S. J. Hunter	95	4	—	—	1	2	—	96	—	1	—
149	Atwood,	Rainy River	3rd Thurs.	W. B. Warner	A. Warnuk	57	—	—	—	1	—	4	52	4	—	5
150	London,	London	3rd Tues.	J. B. Carson	J. N. Duffy	183	4	—	—	1	—	7	179	62	—	4
151	Laurentian,	Pembroke	3rd Thurs.	L. W. Brumm	L. A. Schultz	149	8	—	—	2	—	—	155	3	6	—
152	Alberton,	Fort Frances	2nd Tues.	H. A. McFayden	D. C. Baldwin	172	5	—	—	7	2	1	167	14	—	5

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153	Sombra,	Wallaceburg	1st Mon.	John Walton	John Burnett	111	6	1	—	—	—	1	117	3	6	—
154	Klondike,	Dawson City	Inactive			67	—	—	—	—	—	—	67	36	—	—
155	Ancaster,	Ancaster	3rd Tues.	John Cesar	E. L. Walker	87	4	—	—	1	—	2	88	4	1	—
161	Madoc,	Madoc	4th Mon.	James Keller	D. Kernohan	152	5	1	—	2	5	1	150	9	—	2
163	The Beaches,	Toronto	1st Mon.	W. E. Bath	T. Middleton	111	4	1	—	2	3	1	110	17	—	1
164	Lorne,	West Lorne	3rd Fri.	Arthur Weekes	Allan Stuart	78	5	—	3	—	—	1	85	3	7	—
167	Kichikewana,	Midland	2nd Mon.	T. R. Nesbitt	H. A. Humphries	144	5	—	1	—	—	5	145	24	1	—
168	Ionic,	Campbellford	3rd Mon.	William Dawson	Wm. H. Brady	155	5	—	—	2	—	2	156	49	1	—
169	Temiskaming,	New Liskeard	2nd Thurs.	W. A. Bowman	D. C. Edwards	96	4	—	—	3	1	3	93	18	—	3
175	The Hamilton,	Hamilton	3rd Tues.	F. C. Whiskin	B. C. Tebbs	132	3	1	—	—	2	7	127	5	—	5
184	Hugh Murray,	Fort Erie	2nd Tues.	J. Jones	J. E. Willis	86	3	—	—	—	1	4	84	1	—	2
195	Peel,	Brampton	1st Tues.	J. A. McFarlane	G. MacKenzie	139	4	—	—	1	—	1	141	9	2	—
198	Couchiching,	Orillia	2nd Fri.	J. W. Davies	H. K. Maynard	178	6	—	—	2	—	6	176	10	—	2
203	Cobalt,	Cobalt	3rd Tues.	Inactive	H. A. Todd	78	—	—	—	—	—	—	78	29	—	—
205	Victoria,	Thornhill	1st Wed.	David E. Allen	H. S. Sparks	87	7	—	—	1	6	—	87	13	—	—
210	Kitchener,	Russell	1st Fri.	C. P. Laushway	W. M. Stanley	78	8	—	—	—	—	2	84	12	6	—
212	Mount Sinai,	Toronto	1st Tues.	S. S. Bederman	Abraham Fox	352	21	—	—	5	1	2	365	19	13	—
213	Northern Lights,	Timmins	3rd Wed.	Robt. G. Childs	L. H. Farrow	138	5	1	—	4	—	1	139	38	1	—
214	Vimy,	Inwood	2nd Mon.	Wm. Balkwill	J. S. Maddock	82	1	—	—	—	—	—	83	12	1	—
215	Mimico,	Mimico	1st Wed.	W. B. Angst	T. B. Rogers	96	5	—	—	—	—	1	100	5	4	—
217	St. Alban's,	Toronto	4th Fri.	A. O. Murray	Jas. Turnbull	142	2	—	—	—	1	2	141	13	—	1
218	Prince Edward,	Shelburne	2nd Thurs.	Harold McGhee	Hilton Emrick	66	3	—	—	—	—	2	67	—	1	—
219	Ulster,	Toronto	4th Thurs.	C. B. Ibbotson	J. L. Hewson	86	4	1	—	—	—	3	88	4	2	—
220	Lebanon,	Lambton Mills	3rd Wed.	A. R. McDougall	W. M. Creech	121	3	—	—	2	—	3	119	—	—	2
221	Durham,	Durham	3rd Tues.	H. C. F. Blohm	H. McKechnie	47	—	1	—	1	1	—	46	5	—	1
222	Ottawa,	Ottawa	2nd Thurs.	A. E. Mulligan	W. C. Pescod	307	16	1	—	4	1	12	307	40	—	—
223	Abitibi,	Iroquois Falls	Last Wed.	J. V. Mitchell	W. D. Irving Went	72	—	—	—	2	—	—	70	—	—	2
224	Keystone,	Hamilton	1st Mon.	J. H. Creasey	J. S. Drysdale	115	8	—	—	—	4	4	115	21	—	—
225	Beaver,	Toronto	2nd Wed.	Fred Alley	J. Richardson	102	7	—	—	2	1	—	106	—	4	—
226	Prince of Wales,	Perth	3rd Thurs.	Arthur Ennis	L. V. Wood	145	2	—	—	3	—	—	144	—	—	1
227	Quinte Friendship,	Belleville	2nd Mon.	James Brown	Mont. Barlow	199	13	1	2	4	—	8	203	32	4	—
230	Port Credit,	Port Credit	4th Tues.	K. Denison	E. Parkinson	92	6	—	—	1	—	6	91	2	—	1
231	The St. Clair,	Toronto	2nd Thurs.	A. W. Johnson	H. W. Powell	209	9	—	—	3	3	6	206	20	—	3

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232	King Cyrus,	Toronto	3rd Wed.	A. G. Sullivan	Robert Fick	101	6	—	—	1	1	5	100	9	—	1
233	Oakwood,	Toronto	1st Wed.	Brian Alford	A. E. Hayward	83	6	2	1	1	—	—	91	3	8	—
234	Halton,	Georgetown	3rd Wed.	I. G. Noble	J. Addy	117	5	—	—	1	—	2	119	4	2	—
235	Aurora,	Aurora	4th Mon.	Gordon Bunt	E. V. Eveleigh	109	4	1	—	5	2	—	107	10	—	2
236	Caledonia,	Caledonia	4th Thurs.	John Aldridge	Edgar C. Reid	74	5	—	—	—	1	—	78	2	4	—
238	The St. Andrew,	London	4th Thurs.	H. C. Fleming	A. V. Sedgwick	202	10	1	—	2	—	4	207	27	5	—
239	Blenheim,	Blenheim	1st Wed.	Ronald Nudds	Ernest Fryer	93	2	—	—	2	—	—	93	—	—	—
240	Smithville,	Smithville	4th Mon.	Wm. Haining	E. A. Griffin	48	—	1	—	3	—	—	46	—	—	2
241	University,	Toronto	1st Tues.	O. R. Roberts	E. Pickles	117	5	—	—	3	2	1	116	22	—	1
242	St. Paul's,	Lambeth	1st Tues.	A. Bowering	J. B. Lawrence	57	8	—	—	2	3	1	59	—	2	—
243	McKay,	Stoney Creek	2nd Wed.	Ernest Boden	A. Winterbottom	70	1	2	—	—	—	1	72	4	2	—
245	Preston,	Preston	3rd Tues.	G. Weber	Alex Hertel	66	2	1	—	—	—	2	67	3	1	—
246	Humber,	Weston	3rd Fri.	D. Bremner	Donald McLean	150	8	2	—	—	1	3	156	8	6	—
247	Nilestown,	Nilestown	3rd Thurs.	G. Sleightholm	G. Kirkpatrick	117	5	1	—	—	—	2	121	11	4	—
248	Dochert,	Arnprior	1st Mon.	Inactive	G. R. Clarke	44	—	—	—	—	—	—	44	1	—	—
249	Palestine,	Bowmanville	3rd Mon.	E. F. R. Osborne	L. W. Dippell	95	5	—	—	2	—	1	97	2	2	—
250	Thomas Peters,	Windsor	2nd Wed.	Leslie Allan	Walter Hockney	284	4	—	—	—	—	6	282	76	—	2
251	Kirkland,	Kirkland Lake	4th Wed.	G. Harris	A. R. Taylor	127	8	—	—	—	—	3	132	15	5	—
252	Hiawatha,	Sarnia	1st Mon.	Jack MacBeth	J. D. VanHorne	186	2	—	—	—	—	4	184	19	—	2
253	Regal,	Port Dover	2nd Wed.	W. C. Long	E. S. Ford	82	5	1	—	—	—	1	87	5	5	—
254	Golden Star,	Dryden	3rd Mon.	P. S. Moline	J. H. Gibson	100	14	—	—	2	—	2	110	—	10	—
255	Tillsonburg,	Tillsonburg	3rd Tues.	Robt. Hart	C. H. Swatridge	82	8	1	—	1	—	1	89	—	7	—
256	Yukon,	Whitehorse	4th Mon.	R. B. Cousins	S. Light	77	12	—	1	—	5	—	85	—	8	—
257	Espanola,	Espanola	2nd Thurs.	A. J. Higgins	Eli Landry	79	5	—	—	—	—	—	84	3	5	—
258	Tyrian,	Stouffville	1st Thurs.	C. A. Vanzant	G. H. Thomas	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	—	—	—
259	Quetico,	Atitkokan	2nd Mon.	L. J. O. Sundin	E. I. Swanbergson	19	9	10	—	—	—	—	38	6	19	—
260	Centennial,	Streetsville	4th Mon.	J. A. Christenson	J. Sloane	—	18	23	—	—	—	—	41	—	41	—
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1.—C. J. Barfett, L. M. Campbell, W. J. Friers, J. F. Williams. 3—R. W. Hall, P. D. Sheers, K. C. Shortt, W. J. Wilson 5—W. R. Bennett, J. C. Cunningham, S. L. Ehman, A. E. Hodgins, G. B. McCormick, O. T. Parr, W. S. Stephenson, D. Sutherland, O. N. Thompson. 6—J. F. Bain. 8—R. S. Scott. 19—R. E. Branch, J. T. Gallie, W. F. Downes, H. C. Earle. 20—K. W. Gordon, J. R. Rotchill, H. Wilde. 24—C. J. Eifert, A. B. McCaugherty, J. M. McLeod, D. O. Walker. 28—B. Conley. 30—W. J. Clayton. 31—W. S. Fraser, C. A. Jones, J. A. Neer. 32—E. C. Harris, M. H. Hitchcock, H. Parkinson. 34—W. J. Ogilvie, A. G. Orser, H. F. B. Miller. 36—A. W. Smith, T. Staves. 47—J. C. Chitten, W. R. Dorman, A. W. Hogg, G. R. Lafferty, G. H. Powell, H. R. Terry. 59—G. W. Andrews. 61—D. W. Berry, C. H. Black, A. McMullen, C. H. Scoyne, F. W. Sneddon. 62—D. S. Williams. 71—M. E. MacDonald. 75—G. M. Colling, L. A. Cox, R. M. Smith. 76—R. Crowley. 77—T. A. Armstrong, E. Baskin, C. Clarke, M. G. Clarke, J. Keily, D. King, C. H. Knapp, M. W. McLennan, G. T. Young. 80—J. Easby, R. E. Handy, H. Hill, W. L. Jenkins, W. B. Tinsley, F. W. C. Watts. 82—W. Clavier, C. S. Firman, J. E. Gorr, W. J. Ingram, G. Pipher, G. Sim. 90—O. Nellis. 102—E. I. Halladay, T. C. Horgan, I. A. Nicholson. 103—M. P. Mickolakos. 113—G. E. Ashie. 117—J. D. Carthy, R. McK. Fisher, N. H. Hagen, A. R. Oldham. 129—J. Pickard. 134—R. Corner. 135—A. J. DeCarle. 138—N. V. Knight. 140—J. G. Marks. 144—E. C. Freeman, I. O. Whaten. 145—W. Irwin, R. J. Kingsmill, G. C. Letros, E. J. Richardson. 148—J. Johnston, A. J. Richards. 152—H. G. M. Ayer, R. S. McCormick. 161—K. R. Ingram, D. McInroy, C. L. Walbridge, H. Wheeler, N. Whitmore. 163—H. Brown, H. D. MacPherson, T. C. Rowe. 169—F. J Reeves. 175—D. A. McG. Clarke, J. H. Livingstone. 184—D. Taggart. 205—J. A. Earls, N. C. Findlay, E. G. Gray, H. Jones, J. C. McGhee, A. W. Terry. 212—G. W. Wasserman. 217—E. Barringham. 221—H. S. Miller. 222—E. A. Daugherty. 224—N. E. King, J. H. Percy, S. G. Pook, G. G. Ross. 225—E. A. Tomlin. 231—L. McAteer, T. J. McConnell, E. C. Smith. 232—W. G. A. Jennings. 235—R. A. Barker, H. E. Bennett. 236—C. Nie. 241—F. G. Harrington, P. F. Sawden. 242—S. C. Brown, A. Lucas, A. D. Stoner. 246—C. Cameron. 256—F. E. Goode, G. A. C. Gunton, J. G. MacMurdo, C. B. Robson, A. L. Williams.

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4—J. Craig. 15—C. W. Loomis. 28—J. Carey. 37—P. R. Martin. 40—K. MacColl. 45—G. Grant, B. G. Kernoghan. 46—T. E. Grainger. 76—J. F. Peckham. 81—H. R. Moffatt, L. Swinn. 135—G. A. C. Gunton. 164—W. S. Merritt, V. Franks, O. Gibson. 167—R. N. Vosper. 227—W. E. Lashway, R. H. Moran. 233—S. H. McElwain. 256—G. A. C. Gunton.

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71. Prince of Wales	Amherstburg	153. Sombra	Wallaceburg
73. Erie	Ridgetown	164. Lorne	West Lorne
80. Ark	Windsor	239. Blenheim	Blenheim
88. MacNabb	Dresden	250. Thomas Peters	Windsor

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3. St. John's	London	81. Aylmer	Aylmer
5. St. George's	London	150. London	London
15. Wawanosh	Sarnia	214. Vimy	Inwood
53. Bruce	Petrolia	238. The St. Andrew	London
54. Palestine	St. Thomas	242. St. Paul's	Lambeth
74. Beaver	Strathroy	247. Nilestown	Nilestown
78. Minnewawa	Parkhill	252. Hiawatha	Sarnia

WILSON DISTRICT, No. 3

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18. Oxford	Woodstock	115. Brant	Paris
20. Mount Horeb	Brantford	253. Regal	Port Dover
23. Ezra	Simcoe	255. Tillsonburg	Tillsonburg
41. Harris	Ingersoll		

WELLINGTON DISTRICT, No. 4

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32. Waterloo ..... Galt
40. Guelph ..... Guelph
67. Enterprise ..... Palmerston
83. Ionic ..... Orangeville
117. Kitchener ..... Kitchener
218. Prince Edward ..... Shelburne
221. Durham ..... Durham
234. Halton ..... Georgetown
245. Preston ..... Preston

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2. The Hiram ..... Hamilton
6. St. John's ..... Hamilton
75. St. Clair ..... Milton
104. White Oak ..... Oakville
155. Ancaster ..... Ancaster
175 The Hamilton ..... Hamilton
224. Keystone ..... Hamilton
236. Caledonia ..... Caledonia
243. McKay ..... Stoney Creek

HURON DISTRICT, No. 6

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24. Tecumseh ..... Stratford
30. Huron ..... Goderich
46. St. James ..... St. Mary's
63. Havelock ..... Kincardine
66. The Malloch ..... Seaforth
84. Lebanon ..... Wingham
129. Elliot ..... Mitchell
130. Chantry ..... Southampton
146. Bernard ..... Listowel
147. Lucknow ..... Lucknow

NIAGARA DISTRICT, No. 7

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19. Mt. Moriah ..... St. Catharines
29. McCallum ..... Dunnville
55. Niagara, Niagara-on-the-Lake
57. King Hiram ..... Port Colborne
64. Wilson ..... Welland
69. Grimsby ..... Grimsby
76. Mount Nebo ..... Niagara Falls
184. Hugh Murray ..... Fort Erie N.
240. Smithville ..... Smithville

TORONTO EAST, No. 8

R. Ex. Comp. Frederick W. D. Welham, 60 Stewart Smith Drive, Toronto 15, Ont.

4. St. Andrew and St. John ..... Toronto
8. King Solomon ..... Toronto
62. York ..... Toronto
65. St. Paul's ..... Toronto
79. Orient ..... Toronto
135. Succoth ..... Uxbridge
145. The St. Patrick ..... Toronto
163. The Beaches ..... Toronto
205. Victoria ..... Thornhill
217. St. Alban's ..... Toronto
225. Beaver ..... Toronto
235. Aurora ..... Aurora
241. University ..... Toronto
258. Tyrian ..... Stouffville

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77. Occident ..... Toronto
91. Toronto-Antiquity ..... Toronto
138. Shekinah ..... Toronto
195. Peel ..... Brampton
212. Mount Sinai ..... Toronto
215. Mimico ..... Mimico
219. Ulster ..... Toronto
220. Lebanon ..... Lambton Mills
230. Port Credit ..... Port Credit
231. The St. Clair ..... Toronto
232. King Cyrus ..... Toronto
233. Oakwood ..... Toronto
246. Humber ..... Weston
260. Centennial ..... Streetsville

GEORGIAN DISTRICT, No. 9

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27. Manitou ..... Collingwood
34. Signet ..... Barrie
56. Georgian ..... Owen Sound
131. Amabel ..... Wiarton
167. Kichikewana ..... Midland
198. Couchiching ..... Orillia

ONTARIO DISTRICT, No. 10

R. Ex. Comp. Thomas H. Burgis, 48 Ranney St. N., Campbellford, Ont.

28. Pentalpha ..... Oshawa
35. Keystone ..... Whitby
36. Corinthian ..... Peterborough
37. Victoria ..... Port Hope
45. Excelsior ..... Colborne
48. St. John's ..... Cobourg
94. Midland ..... Lindsay
110. Warkworth ..... Warkworth
134. King Darius ..... Cannington
168. Ionic ..... Campbellford
249. Palestine ..... Bowmanville

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT, No. 11

R. Ex. Comp. Thomas C. Lloyd, Bannockburn, Ont.

7. The Moira ..... Belleville
26. St. Mark's ..... Trenton
31. Prince Edward ..... Picton
44. Mount Sinai ..... Napanee
72. Keystone ..... Stirling
144. Presqu'ile ..... Brighton
161. Madoc ..... Madoc
227. Quinte Friendship ..... Belleville

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT, No. 12

R. Ex. Comp. John C. Sim, Box 17, Middle St., Cardinal, Ont.

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22. Grenville ..... Prescott
59. Sussex-St. Lawrence ..... Brockville
68. Maitland ..... Kemptville
112. St. John's ..... Morrisburg
113. Covenant ..... Cornwall
132. Leeds ..... Gananoque

OTTAWA DISTRICT, No. 13

R. Ex. Comp. John Sinclair, 174 Dahlia St., Ottawa, Ont.

16. Carleton ..... Ottawa
61. Granite ..... Almonte
116. Maple ..... Carleton Place
114. Bonnechere ..... Renfrew
133. St. Francis ..... Smiths Falls
143. Glengarry ..... Maxville
148. St. John's ..... Vankleek Hill
151. Laurentian ..... Pembroke
210. Kitchener ..... Russell
222. Ottawa ..... Ottawa
226. Prince of Wales ..... Perth
248. Dochert ..... Arnprior

ALGOMA DISTRICT, No. 14

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82. Shuniah ..... Port Arthur
90. Golden ..... Kenora
140. Ft. William ..... Ft. William
149. Atwood ..... Rainy River
152. Alberton ..... Fort Frances
254. Golden Star ..... Dryden
259. Quetico ..... Atikokan

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT, No. 15

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58. Pembroke ..... Mattawa
95. Tuscan ..... Sudbury
102. Algonquin ..... Sault Ste. Marie
103. St. John's ..... North Bay
257. Espanola ..... Espanola

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169. Temiskaming ..... New Liskeard
203. Cobalt ..... Cobalt
213. Northern Lights ..... Timmins
223. Abitibi ..... Iroquois Falls
251. Kirkland ..... Kirkland Lake

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CAPITULAR REVIEW

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario, 1959

FOREWORD

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada.

It is my pleasure to present to you a Fraternal Review of the Proceedings of All Grand Jurisdictions in England, Ireland, Scotland, the United States of America, in Canada and Sister Dominions of the British Commonwealth whose proceedings were received at the time of sending copy to the printer. Because of circumstances beyond our control we have had to hurry our review and, as a result, we may have overlooked important matters in the Proceedings of various Grand Jurisdictions which greater leisure would have provided opportunity to adequately assess and include. This is especially true of Grand Chapters dealt with in the latter part of our efforts when we had to speed up in order to be complete at the deadline assigned to us. To all such Grand Chapters we offer our apologies. There were many eloquent and instructive passages in addresses and orations that neither space nor time permitted us to include.

For the same reason your Reviewer has not attempted to make a summary of statistics and to generalize upon conditions of Capitular Masonry as has been so capably done in recent years by my predecessor in his annual report on Fraternal Correspondence for Canada.

I conclusion may I be permitted to quote from the closing words of the late M. E. Comp. George L. Gardiner in his Foreword of 1949: "And now my task is done, my journey through the realm of Capitularism ended and it is time to say adieu. Deo Volente—we shall meet again to strengthen and lengthen the silver cord of friendship, that great attribute of human-kind that is woven into the very woof and warp of our Masonic Art."

BENJAMIN S. SCOTT.

April, 1959.

Alabama

Hoyt McClendon, Grand High Priest

Chas. H. Stubinger, Grand Secretary

Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the state of Alabama held its One Hundred and Thirty-First Annual Convocation in the city of Birmingham, beginning on Monday, February 10th, 1958, at ten o'clock A.M.

Woodlawn Chapter No. 146 R. A. M., host chapter, opened their Chapter in full form. After which, the Grand High Priest and other Grand Officers were invited into the Hall and seated in their respective Stations.

A large number of distinguished visitors were introduced, accorded the proper Grand Honours and given a most cordial welcome.

In his address the M. E. Grand High Priest stated his conviction that Royal Arch Masonry in Alabama is still on the forward march. "As emphasized in my visits to the Chapters over the state, the number of

Companions going suspended each year for non-payment of dues is alarming. This is our greatest drawback. Something can be done about it. We should put a personal touch into our contacts with those Companions about to be suspended. Let them know that they are wanted and by personal contact urge them to continue their membership in their Chapter. Mailing of a statement of dues by the Secretary will not accomplish the desired results."

The report of the Grand Treasurer indicated a healthy financial condition with a bank balance December 31st, 1957, of $15,610.46 and total cash and bonds $61,522.02.

Among the Grand representatives present was Walter F. Estes of Canada. E. Companion Thomas W. Oliver, Chairman of the Committee on Masonry and American Citizenship, submitted his report and it was adopted. "With the world confronted with problems which do not radiate great cheer, we may wonder what our individual responsibilities as Royal Arch Masons must be. The scientific achievements by other nations and at last our realization of our antiquated and inadequate educational sysstem confronts us with a challenge greater than any we have ever had before." "As individuals and as a nation, we will not reach our maximum until we help those who live in this world with us to reach theirs in Plenty and Peace. To be strong, the strong must serve. Companions, that is our challenge and our responsibility."

At the election of Grand Officers, Earl D. Holmes was chosen as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

There being no further business to come before the Grand Chapter after prayer, by the Right Excellent and Reverend Grand Chaplain, the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Alabama was closed in ample form at 3:46 P.M. on February 11th, 1958.

Alberta

M. E. Companion Bernard C. Jakeman, Grand First Principal

M. E. Companion Fred Hand, Grand Scribe E

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta Forty-Fourth Annual Convention was held in Calgary May 14, 1958.

The committee on Credentials having reported that a Constitutional number of Chapters were represented by their qualified representatives, the Forty-Fourth Annual Convocation was opened in ample form at 9:40 A.M. on Wednesday, May 14, 1958, A. L. 2488, by the Grand First Principal Most Excellent Companion Bernard C. Jakeman.

The Grand First Principal then requested the Companions to rise while a blessing was asked of the Most High for the success of the Grand Chapter. The reception of distinguished guests followed. His Honour Mayor Don McKay, being introduced and welcomed, said that he was indeed pleased to have the opportunity of addressing such a distinguished delegation of Masons. He said, "It is a privilege to come here and welcome you, and during your stay in our city we hope that you will be pleased with the way we have tried to make our city one of the beauty spots in the province. We always appreciate your decision to hold your meetings in Calgary." The Grand First Principal requested the Grand Scribe Ezra to read the names of the Past First Principals and asked that they would assemble at the altar. They were then welcomed by the Grand First Principal who spoke of the great contribution each had made to Capitular Masonry in the years that have passed and the steadying influence that each had given to the Order. He thanked them for their guidance and support.

The report of the Grand First Principal dealt with visits within his own jurisdiction and to sister jurisdictions. Among these he spoke of the

Conference of Grand Chapters of Canada held in the Hotel London, London, Ontario, August 13th and 14th, 1957.

Two very special guests were also in attendance: Ill. Bro. Fred Kingmill, Deputy Grand Master of the Royal Order of Scotland, Provincial Grand Lodge of Ontario and Deputy for Ontario of the Supreme Council 33 Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Dominion of Canada, and M. E. Companion Judge Roscoe R. Walcutt, Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter R. A. M., M. E. Companion Walcutt was the guest speaker at the opening banquet.

Reporting on the Triennial Convocation of General Grand Chapter he said, "Here is an extract well worth considering: 'When a Companion is elected or appointed to a station that leads to his being chosen as Grand First Principal, the best Companion possible should be chosen. What he did as First Principal of his own Chapter, his record in other Masonic bodies, and his enthusiasm for the advancement of Royal Arch Masonry should be considered. We have never been sold on picking Companions for Grand office because of geographical location unless the right man can be found in that locality'."

The Royal Arch Mason magazine now has over 100,000 subscribers and recently plans have been made whereby a Companion can have a life member's subscription for $10.00.

The Grand Scribe E reports our membership for the year ending December 31st, 1957, was 3,592, this being an increase of 65.

The Committee on the Condition of Capitular Masonry in Alberta again finds that a general spirit of enthusiasm and optimism prevailing. It is also most pleasing to report that during the year all of our Grand Superintendents fulfilled their duties conscientiously, diligently and enthusiastically and in some cases at no little inconvenience and expense. Your committee is glad to note that a fair number of Chapters, though far from all, do arrange Masonic educational activities by means of lectures, papers, discussions, etc. Such activities are an important item in our duties as Royal Arch Masons.

The following officers were elected:

Grand First Principal—M. E. Companion A. F. Lissach.
Grand Second Principal—R. E. Companion C. M. Laverty.
Grand Third Principal—R. E. Companion H. B. Wilks.
Grand Scribe Ezra (Grand Sec.)—M. E. Companion F. J. Hand.

Next place of Annual Convocation—Edmonton, May 13th, 1959.

The Forty-Fourth Annual Convocation of the Royal Arch Masons of Alberta was closed in ample form at 4:45 P.M. by the Grand First Principal, M. E. Companion A. F. Lissack.

Arizona

Harry F. Dise, Grand High Priest
Joseph A. E. Ivey, Grand Secretary

The Sixty-Seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Arizona was held in the Masonic Temple in the city of Prescott, Arizona, on the 29th day of October, A.D. 1957. A goodly attendance of Past Grand High Priests and Grand representatives were present. All Constituent Chapters answered present except one. A number of distinguished guests were present. They were welcomed by Grand High Priest Dise and given Grand Honours.

In his address, the M. E. Companion Harry F. Dise, Grand High Priest, said, "To those who have attended regularly in the past I need only say how pleasant it is to see all of you again. Your faithfulness in returning year after year points with emphasis to your love for Capitular

Masonry, and the experience and wisdom you have acquired throughout the years is of inestimable value in formulating the policies for the future. To our distinguished guests who have travelled many miles to be with us today I especially extend a most cordial welcome. We appreciate your coming and sincerely hope and trust your visit with us will be profitable and enjoyable and that you will carry home most pleasant memories."

Two new lodges were constituted during this Capitular year and each was presented a flag of the United States as a gift from the Grand Chapter of Arizona.

The Grand High Priest reported that no amendment to Chapter By-laws was submitted for approval this Capitular year and that no formal request for an opinion or decision came to his office during the year. He then proceeded with a lengthy list of visitations, several of them being most interesting occasions of which we would like to make detailed reports if time and space permitted.

The Supreme High Priest, in His infinite wisdom, has called many of our Companions from our earthy Chapters to that Celestial Chapter above where membership is eternal. They have left us and we mourn for them. We extend our deepest sympathy to the relatives and friends of our departed Companions and express our sincere and fraterinal sympathy to our sister Grand Jurisdictions in the loss of their distinguished members.

"Somewhere back of the sunset, where loveliness never dies,
They live in a land of glory, with the blue and gold of the skies,
And we, who have loved them and lost them, whose passing has caused us tears,
Shall cherish their memory always, through all the coming years."

"Let us now stand for a moment in silent memory, after which the Grand Chaplain will offer a prayer for the departed Companions."

"Visiting other Grand Jurisdictions is one of the most delightful phases of being Grand High Priest. While we enjoy splendid fraternal relations with our adjoining sister jurisdictions, there should be more visitations at annual Convocations. Not only do we cultivate closer friendships, exchange views on mutual problems, increase our knowledge and experience, but we display a unity and strength that will attract attention to the good deeds and works done for all mankind by members of the Masonic Fraternity."

The Grand High Priest recommended initiating correspondence with the Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of Mexico and Western Germany, extend fraternal greetings and express a desire to be represented near their respective Grand Jurisdictions.

The report of the Grand Secretary recorded a net gain in membership of 38 in 1956.

The election of Grand Chapter officers resulted in Fred P. Misak being elected Grand High Priest for 1957-58.

The Sixty-Seventh Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Arizona was brought to a close at the hour of 5:30 P.M. with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Arkansas

Roy Redman, Grand High Priest

Charles D. Hill, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Ninth Convocation of M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas met at Little Rock, Arkansas, February 17, 1958.

Full form opening of a Subordinate Chapter was exemplified by Union Chapter No. 2, C. L. Worthington presiding.

The roll call of subordinate chapters indicated 37 subordinate chapters presently represented.

Following a prayer of Invocation by the Grand Chaplain Conrad N. Glover, the Grand High Priest declared the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas convened in its one hundred and ninth convocation.

Reception of many distinguished guests followed and the convener of the committee on arrangements said, "We welcome you and sincerely hope that you will find this a most fruitful and constructive session. We are honoured by the presence of a large group of distinguished companions from our sister jurisdictions and we appreciate your attendance and wish you to carry back to your city and state and to your Grand Chapters the kindest fraternal greetings from Arkansas." Among the representatives from Foreign Jurisdictions was L. W. Williams representing Canada. The visitors attending for the first time were elected to honorary membership.

In his address the Grand High Priest said, "I welcome you to this, the 109th Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas. As we meet in another Convocation and greet with joy many of our Companions of former years, we are saddened over the loss of many of our former Companions who have laid down the working tools of life and have passed through the veils into the Temple where the Supreme High Priest presides. We extend our fraternal sympathy to the relatives and friends of those who have passed on to higher service. I visited 28 subordinate Chapters and found most of them needing leadership and instruction on the Ritual. Some few Chapters need only candidates. I have appointed a committee to study this condition which exists all over the State. The committee will be known as the State of the Rite Committee.

"Our Grand Chapter has suffered a great loss in the past two years due to suspensions. In 1956 we had a total membership of 8,708. Today we come to this Grand Chapter with 8,219, or a loss of 517 members. I trust that this Convocation will try to find a way to reduce these losses."

The Grand Treasurer reported $23,100.00 to be the value at maturity of government bonds in the treasury. Total assets $48,854.40.

The Grand Secretary reported that all fifty-five chartered Chapters had sent in reports. Ten Chapters showed a gain in membership and while these gains were small, it is good to know that they were in the gain column. Twenty-nine Chapters showed a loss due to suspensions. This brings up for comment a matter which I think is very dangerous and which if something is not done to remedy the situation will lead to disastrous results. This is the matter of legislation passed last year which provides that any Companion who has not paid his dues by December 31st is automatically suspended. It is my judgment that when secretaries of Chapters have only to wipe the slate clean if men do not pay, that we can expect this condition to continue. When I was representing this Grand Chapter at Sun Valley I discussed this mater with a Past Grand Priest of Illinois. He stated that this system was in effect for eight years in Illinois and almost resulted in suspensions of operations of the Grand Chapter of Illinois. The legislation was repealed after eight years, but they waited too long. Amended legislation provided that a member could not be suspended until he had been visited by three separate committees of the chapter. This has reduced suspensions."

The report of the Committee on the state of the Rite was quite frank and outspoken. This serious analysis of the condition of affairs as they see it may be applied in many jurisdictions. Therefore we quote it as follows:

"No greater disservice can be rendered the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas than to have a man come to the station of Grand

High Priest without a definite program and without being familiar with the problems that confront the Grand Chapter. Too often a man sits in the chairs from the time he was elected Grand Master of the First Veil until he is installed G. H. P. without learning what it is all about. This must cease if Royal Arch Masonry is not to die in this jurisdiction. If a companion aspires to serve as Grand High Priest or if the Grand Chapter calls upon him to serve, he should not accept unless he has time and the inclination and the energy to serve and do a good job. This is no empty honour. It requires much time. It will certainly require long hours of night driving and it will require consummate skill in planning a program and working with people."

The remainder of this report constitutes one of the strongest indictments we have ever seen printed in connection with the state of Capitular Masonry in any jurisdiction. It might do us all a great deal of good to read it and contemplate thereon.

Motion was made and seconded that Fraternal Relations be established between the Grand Chapter and the Grand Chapters of the Netherlands, Germany, and Argentina, and that representatives be exchanged. The motion was adopted.

We should like to quote from several splendid addresses of distinguished guests but neither space nor time will permit.

Roy S. Bucy, Rector, Arkansas, was elected Grand High Priest, C. D. Hill, Little Rock, Arkansas, was elected Grand Secretary.

After the remarks of the newly installed Grand High Priest the Convocation was closed with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

British Columbia

Arthur Hamilton, Grand Z.

Edgar B. Baker, Grand Scribe E.

The Fortieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia was held in Vancouver on Monday, June 16, 1958. There were 150 delegates from 34 Chapters and 32 visitors present. The Convocation was opened in ample form by M. E. Companion Arthur Hamilton, Grand Z.

In his address the Grand Z said, "Our wonderful province is this year celebrating its Centennial which truly is a milestone worthy of recognition. It is interesting to note that although the Grand Lodge of British Columbia will celebrate next year one hundred years of Masonry in British Columbia and this year is holding its annual 87th Annual Convocation, this Grand Chapter was only organized as recently as 1919. Yet Capitular Masonry was in evidence during the early days of this province and contributed to its history. Columbia Chapter No. 1, Victoria, was instituted as early as 1867 so we as Royal Arch Masons can reasonably share in some measure in the celebration of this Centennial year.

"Since last we met many of our dear Companions of this and sister jurisdictions have passed within the last Veil, there to stand in the presence of Him whose sacred and mysterious Name we reverence. In reverent silence let us pay tribute to all those who have laid down the well-worn working tools of earth and have found elsewhere better work to do."

The Grand Chapter of Canada this year celebrated its One Hundredth Anniversary. Our Grand Scribe E. Most Excellent Companion E. B. Baker represented British Columbia on this important occasion. Companion Baker was much impressed by the efficiency of the arrangements for this huge undertaking, the courteous reception extended and unbounded hospitality of the Grand Chapter of Canada towards their guests.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 4,806, a net increase for the year of 137.

Many excellent reports followed.

M. E. Companion T. W. H. Walker was elected Grand First Principal Z.

There being no further business the Grand Chapter of British Columbia was closed in Ample Form by M. E. Companion T. W. H. Walker, Grand Z.

California

Kenneth V. Mills, Grand High Priest

Chester H. Newell, Grand Secretary

The Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of the State of California held its One Hundred and Fourth Annual Convocation at the Miramer Hotel in the city of Santa Barbara, April 21st and 22nd, 1958.

In his address the Grand High Priest welcomed the Companions and distinguished visitors. He said, "We are privileged and honoured to have with us, among our distinguished guests, the General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Most Excellent Companion J. Luther Jordan.

"Today some of our Companions are missing, as they have been called to higher service. Our sympathy goes out to the relatives and friends." Prayer followed by the Grand Chaplain.

In my opinion one of the finest and most complete reports is rendered by our Excellent Companion Emmett Ernst, Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.

The Grand High Priest in reporting his visits to other Jurisdictions made special mention of his visits to the annual sessions of the Grand York Rite Bodies of Arizona held in Prescott, October 27-30, 1957, and to his visit to Mexico.

"It is noted that there has been a great increase in Chapter activities. I have observed that Capitular Masonry has penetrated our Chapter walls and has extended out into the great open spaces, where, under nature's starlighted canopy, our beautiful degrees are put on in a manner that could only be indelibly impressed. I speak of Darius Chapter No. 143 and their famous Mt. Helix degree which has become of nation-wide repute.

"I have particularly observed during this year the great improvement in Ritualistic work and general morale of our Chapters, and I truly believe this is due in a large measure to the devoted services and untiring efforts of our Grand Lecturer.

"The most important work to be considered is the proper impression we give our candidates. One of the most creditable efforts put forth by a few of our chapters is when a Companion has been elected, he is called for at his home, escorted to the place of meeting, and after receiving the Degrees and perhaps later enjoying an hour of refreshment, is returned home by the Companions. This, I think, is one of the finest personal compliments these chapters could adopt."

The Grand High Priest closed his address by saying, "My closing prayer for each and every one of you is—May you all live as long as you want, and never want as long as you live."

The Grand Secretary in his report listed the number of members December 31st, 1957, to be 33,392, being a net gain of 231.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a cash balance of $57,585.44. Total assets $95,143.51.

The Committee on Chapter organization presented an extensive report with a splendid analysis of conditions in the Grand Chapter of

California and many valuable suggestions for Chapter betterment. Sister Jurisdictions would be well advised to carefully consider this unusual report.

Most Excellent Companion William L. Leeson was installed as Grand High Priest for 1958-59.

There being no further business, Grand Chapter was closed in ample form at four o'clock P.M.

A copy of these proceedings is mailed to the High Priest and Secretary of each Chapter within this Grand Jurisdiction. At each meeting of the Chapter, whether stated or special, the secretary's copy should be on his desk and at the service of those present.

Colorado

H. Baird Whitaker, Grand High Priest

Harry W. Bundy, Grand Secretary

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado held its Eighty-Third Annual Convocation at Denver, September 18, 1957.

The Grand Chapter was opened in full form by Most Excellent Companion H. Baird Whitaker, Grand High Priest, with officers in their respective stations. Prayer was offered by Grand Chaplain Richard E. Halbert.

The Committee on Reception of Visitors presented distinguished Companions, who were welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

Interspersed during the sessions were interesting addresses by our guests, including the greetings and good wishes of the Grand Jurisdictions they represented and their appreciation for the courtesies received. Among the Grand Representatives was Clarence L. Bartholic of Canada.

The Grand Chaplain Companion Richard E. Halbert delivered a dynamic address on the "Lord's Prayer."

In the address of the Grand High Priest he gives this challenging suggestion: "In the large, older Chapters the average age has increased, which means a high death rate. We have not been taking in the younger Master Masons fast enough or in sufficient numbers to keep the average age down. It is being suggested that the present members, and especially our older members, make an endowment of a young Master Mason to their Chapter, which will prove of greater value than any monetary fund he might leave his Chapter. This is one way to cut our average age and increase activity in the older Chapters."

It is suggested that each Chapter give to each new Companion a copy of the book, "Light From the Sanctuary of the Royal Arch," written by M. E. Companion Snodgrass, Past Grand High Priest of Tennessee. It is certain that the more the Companions know about Royal Arch Masonry the greater will be their interest.

"It is appropriate that we pause at this time to pay tribute to our departed Companions. Our sympathy is extended to all who have suffered the loss of their near and dear ones. May we all stand in quiet reverence while our Grand Chaplain leads us in prayer."

Among visits to other Grand Jurisdictions we note that on May 29, 30, 31, 1957, a special trip to Winnipeg, Manitoba, as guests of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba. "Then on June 1, 1957, we conferred the Royal Arch degree for the Companions of Manitoba. They were most gracious hosts and made our visit something to remember for many years."

Sixty-three special dispensations were granted by the Grand High Priest for a variety of reasons.

Royal Arch Masonry is truly on the march in Colorado and en-

thusiasm is high in all sections of the State and in nearly all Chapters. "Our eight new Chapters under dispensation certainly shows real growth of interest and membership."

The Grand Secretary reports membership as of July, 1957, as 7,580, being a net increase of 145 during the year.

The Committee on Correspondence briefly reported on seven Canadian Grand Chapters and made a very interesting review of the proceedings of the leading United States Jurisdictions with special emphasis upon General Grand Chapter.

M. E. Comp. Gordon R. Merrick was elected Grand High Priest.

After various committees were appointed by the Grand High Priest the eighty-third annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado was closed in ample form.

Connecticut

M. E. Kenneth E. Ericson, Grand High Priest
M. E. Bliss W. Clark, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Sixtieth Annual Convocation of the M. E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut was held in the City of Hartford, Saturday, May 17, A.D. 1958, at 9:30 o'clock A.M.

Opened in ample form, prayer by Chaplain, the United States flag presented, and pledge of allegiance. Distinguished visitors introduced, received with Grand Honours and welcomed. Among these was M. Ex. Comp. William Sweeting from Supreme Grand Chapter of Victoria, Australia. Past Grand High Priests and Grand Representatives were warmly greeted and accorded Honours.

The Grand High Priest commenced his report in these words: "Companions, as we assemble today let us greet one another with fraternal affection and with thanks to the S.A. of the universe for the blessings of health, peace and freedom which enable us to congregate to review our efforts, evaluate our condition and plan our future."

The Companions were urged to give advice and counsel as they carefully consider all matters brought before the convocation. The Grand High Priest expressed heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved families and friends of the 312 Companions who "have been called to the Grand Chapter above and departed from our midst."

Who once has had a friend has found
The link 'twixt mortal and divine;
Though now he sleeps in hallowed ground,
He lives in memory's sacred shrine;
And there he freely moves about,
A spirit that has quit the clay,
And in the times of stress and doubt
Sustains his friend throughout the day."

Membership. "It is necessary that we face the facts and recognize the true conditions of our Capitular Rite as it exists in Connecticut today. In so doing we should evaluate with optimism; however, we cannot close our eyes to the serious problems that confront us. We have suffered a severe loss in membership. This is a continuation of a trend of recent years and this trend must be reversed. "The basic factors controlling our growth and success are:

1. Loss of membership through deaths.
2. Increase of membership through exaltations.

We cannot control the first basic factor." Then follows an analysis of

relationship between deaths and increase from 1951 through 1957. "We have some control over the second basic factor."

"Business and social conditions will contribute to a fluctuation in the number of admissions to our chapters during a particular period. However, aggressive leadership, well organized membership and social programmes can overcome unfavourable conditions and exploit favourable conditions to their utmost."

(This reviewer reports this phase of the Grand High Priest's address because it is a problem of vital interest to so many Grand Jurisdictions in Capitular Masonry today. We recommend you to read his full analysis and suggestions on pages 16-17 of the report.)

Chapter membership in Connecticult is 21.6 percent of the number of master masons but the number of exaltations is only 14 per cent of the master masons raised in 1957. According to report of the Grand Secretary total membership April 15, 1958—10,465, which shows a net loss of 193.

Report of Grand Treasurer shows finances in healthy condition. A five-year comparison of dues delinquency shows a steady rate of improvement. An interesting recommendation made by the Grand High Priest was: "I recommend the establishment of a Grand Chapter Fraternal Correspondence Committee. This committee to consist of three of our Grand Representatives. The DUTY of this committee would be to make a brief summary of our annual proceedings, furnish copies thereof to each Grand Representative for forwarding to the Grand Jurisdiction he represents. It is important that all avenues of communications be kept open to stimulate our thoughts and create ideas." The Committee reporting on the address of the Grand High Priest felt that this recommendation "seems to be a duplication of effort, as our Grand Secretary sends a copy of the proceedings to the Grand Secretary of Sister Grand Jurisdictions" and therefore did not approve. (Your reviewer feels the recommendation possesses merits that might advantageously be explored.)

Officers for 1958-59—Grand High Priest, M. E. Pierson, E. Dolbeare; Grand Secretary, M. E. Bliss W. Clark.

Their representative to Canada—R. E. Chas. J. Fairhurst.

Our representative to Connecticut—R. E. Harvey J. Milne.

Grand Chapter was closed in ample form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Delaware

Charles E. Green, Grand High Priest

Alfred H. Coe, Grand Secretary

The Ninetieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Delaware was held in the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, Saturday, January 18th, 1958. The Grand Chapter was opened in full form at 1:00 P.M. by Grand High Priest Charles E. Green.

In his address the Grand High Priest said, "We offer a grateful prayer to the Supreme Grand High Priest for His many blessings and for the sacred privilege of meeting together again in solemn Convocation. We are honoured by the presence of many distinguished Companions from other Grand Jurisdictions. It is a real joy to have these stawart leaders with us on this day.

"During the year many Companions have travelled that western slope of time at whose base rolls the ceaseless billows of the sea of immortality. We extend sympathy to all relatives and friends. Let us pause in our deliberations while the M. R. Grand Chaplain offers prayer for our departed Companions.

"The privilege of visiting other Grand Jurisdictions is one of the real joys associated with the office of Grand High Priest. We appreciate the hospitality shown us. It was warm. It was sincere. It was Royal Arch Masonry at its finest."

The third Capitular Festival in this Grand Jurisdiction was held in the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, on Saturday, May 25th. The entire Festival was a decided success. All the Companions joined in the spirit of the occasion. The degree teams performed well and presented the work with enthusiasm.

Religious Affirmation Day was observed on Sunday, November 17th, with public church services in Wilmington, Dover and Georgetown.

"We are glad to report that during the year peace and harmony have prevailed throughout our jurisdiction. Numerically. we have held our own and even had an increase in numbers.

"The future of Capitular Masonry in Delaware lies hidden from mortal sight. We cannot draw aside the veil and view the grand proportions it may attain in the days to come. Let us, however, take courage and press forward. Let us hope as our symbolic ark sails grandly out over the sea of time, freighted with the previous memories of the past and the high hopes of the future, guided by wisdom, propelled by strength and adorned with beauty, we shall at last rest under an arch of resplendent colors on the summit of a moral Ararat. May there go forth from this Ark three angels of Light, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, to hold dominion in the hearts of men."

The Committee on Education offered an interesting report in which they not only set forth the need for and advantages of emphasizing Masonic Education but they list sources easily available to those who desire to make use of them.

Claude P. Davidson was elected Grand High Priest.

Alfred H. Coe was elected Grand Secretary.

No further business being presented, the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Delaware was closed in ample form at 6:10 P.M. with prayer by the Grand Chaplain Rev. Harry H. Conner.

District of Columbia

Arthur F. Zepp, Grand High Priest

Raymond N. Babcock, Grand Secretary

The Ninety-First Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia was held in the Masonic Temple, Washington, on February 8, 1958, at 3 P.M. The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form. Prayer was offered by M. E. Comp. Herbert W. Ludwig.

The distinguished guests and Grand Representatives were introduced and welcomed. Among the Grand Representatives were seven from Canada. Among the distinguished visitors was J. Luther Jackson, General Grand High Priest.

In his address the Grand High Priest extended a special welcome to M. E. Comp. Luther Jackson and wished him a successful term of office as General Grand High Priest. He expressed his sorrow at the passing of so many Companions and extended sympathy to the bereaved. A short but impressive memorial service followed.

The Grand High Priest told of his many visitations and regretted to have to report another loss in membership throughout the Jurisdiction. The Chapters again during the year participated in the blood bank.

He urged the Companions to avail themselves of the opportunity of attending the School of Instruction which is held two nights each month.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership December 31, 1957, of 4,347, a net loss of 141.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand January 31, 1958, of $5,791.75.

John E. Chrisman was elected Grand High Priest.

The Grand Chapter was closed in ample form, prayer being offered by M. E. Comp. Herbert W. Ludwig.

Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England

The Quarterly Convocation held at Freemasons Hall, London, Wednesday, February 5, 1958.

M. E. Comp. Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarborough, K.G., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., T.D.

E. Comp. Sir George Boag, K.C.I.E., C.S.I., P.G., Supt. Madras, President

The President of the Committee of General Purposes, E. Comp. Sir George Boag, by virtue of his position in the craft automatically assumed the office of First Grand Principal. In the report of the Committee of General Purposes, the Chapters on the Grand Chapter Register for 1957 were 2,561. (London 691, Provincial 1,543, District and abroad 327.) Grand Chapter certificates issued in the same period 6,981.

Among the Charters of Confirmation granted by the Committee was one to "Ramsay Chapter No. 552, Lucknow (Bengal), the original Charter having been destroyed by white ants."

At the Quarterly Convocation of Wednesday, May 7, 1958, E. Comp. Sir George Boag, in his report of the President of the Committee of General Purposes, gave a splendid report of his attendance at the Centenary Celebrations of The Grand Chapter of Canada where he was the representative of the Supreme Grand Chapter of England. "They gave us the warmest of welcomes and I had a most delightful time."

The financial report showed an income for year 1957 of £12,990 and investments of £41,883.

The two previous quarterly Convocations were reviewed in our 1958 Proceedings.

Florida

William Joshua Abram, Grand High Priest

John Bridges Phelps, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida was held in St. Petersburg, May 21-22, 1958.

The Chapter was opened in ample form by the Grand High Priest. Then followed the reception of the distinguished guests and Grand Representatives.

Extracts from address by Grand High Priest:

"I greet each and every one of you with a prayer in my heart for your health, happiness and your continued love and zeal for York Rite Masonry.

The Grand High Priest of Heaven and Earth called home many of our beloved Companions during the year. We shall miss them and our sympathy goes out to the bereaved.

Bulletins were sent out to all Chapters requesting the members to attend the Church of their choice on October 27, 1957, in a body. Twenty-

one Chapters reported with a total attendance of 788. Twenty-four Chapters had no attendance or failed to report."

The visitations of the Grand High Priest were numerous.

The Grand Treasurer reported a bank balance May 1, 1958, of $19,-111.24 and investments of $58,000.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 9,371, gain 279.

Charles Winn Arnold was elected Grand High Priest.

Companion J. Luther Jordan, the General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter, was the speaker at the banquet on Wednesday evening. His subject was "The Masonic Quest." It was a very inspiring address. Here are a few extracts—"Whence came this thing we call Freemasonry that inspires men, ordinary mortals such as you and I, to deeds of service and sacrifice? Our fraternity has garnered its ancestry from many sources, from many lands, from many peoples; from civilizations that have risen, fulfilled their destiny and disappeared. We undertake to preserve all that is high and holy and noble, as the posterity of those that preceded us, and left it as a heritage for us, and to us."

Georgia

Austin P. Phillips, Grand High Priest

W. J. Penn, Jr., Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Thirty-Sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Georgia was opened in full form at 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, April 16, 1958, in the Grand Lodge building in the city of Macon. Grand Chaplain John Paul Jones offered the opening prayer.

The distinguished visitors and Grand Representatives were received and welcomed. Among the Grand Representatives present were eight from Canada.

Extracts from address by Grand High Priest:

"The association I have had during the year with my Companions throughout the State has been an inspiration to me, and an experience I shall never forget. We are saddened by the loss of 336 of our Companions who have answered the final summons. We mourn the loss of these Companions and extend our sympathy to their families and loved ones."

The Grand High Priest visited extensively throughout the State and in many Sister Jurisdictions.

A Religious Affirmation Day was held on October 20, 1957. The day was well observed by many of the Chapters who attended a religious service in a body as Royal Arch Masons.

The Grand Secretary's report showed a membership January 1, 1958, of 27,237, a net gain of 505.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand in General Fund of $45,562.85, in Educational Fund $1,485.76. In reserve account $37,354.27.

L. S. Patterson was elected Grand High Priest.

There appearing no further business, the Grand Chapter was closed in due form.

Idaho

C. Merton Winegar, Grand High Priest

Edward H. Way, Grand Secretary

The Fiftieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Idaho convened in the Masonic Temple at Boise at 9:05 A.M. on the 12th day of May, 1958.

The distinguished guests and Grand Representatives were introduced and welcomed.

In his report the Grand High Priest said, "On October 1, 1957, we opened Grand Chapter in Sun Valley at a special Convocation to receive and welcome the General Grand Chapter officers for the Fiftieth Triennial.

It is with great sorrow that I report that 71 Companions were taken from us during the year. Our sympathy is extended to those who mourn. Let us rise in silent prayer in respect of those we will see no more in our gatherings. It was my privilege to visit all of the Chapters in the State. It was a pleasure and a great help to have some of the Grand Officers and Past Grand High Priests present at all of my official visits.

I recommend that the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Germany be recognized by this Grand Chapter."

In the report of the Fraternal Correspondent, Comp. Herbert Fitz, there are two or three statements I would like to quote. These were from the addresses given by four of the Grand High Priests:

"The greatest single factor contributing to the decline of Royal Arch Masonry is lack of willingness to work."

"The greatest tragedy of life is not death, but that which dies within us while we live, if we are indifferent to those things which are eternal."

"I believe that little deeds done are superior to great deeds planned."

"When we really get more Masonry in men, we shall have more men in Masonry."

The Grand Treasurer reported a grand total on hand May 1, 1958, of $12,624.45.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 3,027, the same as the year before.

Claude M. Gorden was elected Grand High Priest.

Grand Chapter was closed in ample form.

Illinois

David Manson, M. E. Grand High Priest

Edward E. Core, R. E. Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois convened in the city of Chicago on Friday, April 11, 1958, at 9:30 A.M. The Chapter was opened in ample form by the Grand Priest. Prayer followed by Rev. Norman C. Miller, Grand Chaplain.

The distinguished guests and official visitors were introduced and welcomed.

Extracts from address by the Grand High Priest:

"The time has come again for us to come together to review the past and plan for the future.

It is with a deep feeling of regret and a sense of personal loss that I must speak of our many departed Companions. The immutable law of life and death which cannot be set aside by our dispensation has taken these Companions from among us. We cherish their memory and extend our sympathy to the bereaved.

I approved the recommendation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Saskatchewan, Canada, and issued a commission to Comp. Murray Sather to be the representative of our Grand Chapter.

I was able to make a total of fifty-four visits, official and otherwise, during the term. I attended the Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter held in Sun Valley, Idaho. There were 20 in attendance from Illinois. I found in my visits throughout the Jurisdiction that there were several Chapters inactive and a few dormant. Suspensions still con-

tinue to be a source of grave concern. A membership committee in every Chapter could do a great deal to reduce these suspensions. A personal call is worth more than a dozen dues notices.

Suspensions, deaths and lack of new members to replace them has had its effect on our income."

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance in General Fund of $54,-804.39. Total assets $109,804.39.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 34,790, a loss of 423.

The Grand Chaplain Rev. Norman C. Miller gave an outstanding address on the second day of the Convocation. His subject was, "The Rejected Stone."

Harry E. Freeland was elected Grand High Priest.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois was closed in ample form.

Indiana

Roger K. Becker, Grand High Priest

Earl B. Forney, Grand Secretary

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana met in its One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple in the city of Evansville, October 31, 1958.

Indiana is in fraternal correspondence with 71 Grand Jurisdictions and has exchanged Grand Representatives with 65 Jurisdictions. Fifty-three Grand Representatives answered the roll call. Many distinguished visitors were in attendance. These were welcomed by the High Priest.

In the course of the High Priest's address he said, "Royal Arch Masonry is not a commercial enterprise. Therefore we are not interested in the size of our membership merely from the standpoint of size. However, a striking truth is evident—Those Chapters who have good officers, those Chapters which are a credit to this Grand Chapter, tend to grow and command respect of their communities. Therefore, like a patient's temperature, our membership can be indicative of our general health.

Our Fraternity mourns the loss of many of our members during the past year. To their Chapters, their families and their loved ones we extend our sympathy."

The Grand High Priest reported a busy year of visitations.

The report of the Grand Treasurer showed a balance on hand October 1, 1958, to be $42,256.76 and bonds to the value of $36,000.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 27,584, a net loss of 149.

Kenton J. Garrison was elected Grand High Priest.

The Grand Chapter was closed in ample form. Next Convocation to be held in the city of Indianapolis on October 30-31, 1959.

Iowa

A. Guy Sparks, Grand High Priest

Ross J. Camblin, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Second Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons was held in the Masonic Temple at Marshalltown, April 25-26, 1958. The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Raymond M. Shipman.

Then followed the reception of the distinguished guests and Grand Representatives.

The Grand High Priest in his address welcomed all the distinguished

guests, some of whom had travelled considerable distance to be present. He reported the passing of 345 Companions during the year and extended sympathy to the bereaved relatives and friends.

"No one hears the door that closes,
As they pass beyond recall,
Soft as loosened leaves of roses
One by one our loved ones fall."

The Grand High Priest recommended that the Grand Chapter of Iowa give recognition to the Grand Chapter of Argentina and invite an exchange of Representatives.

Then followed an account of the Grand Priest's visitations. He had a very busy year. He reported a rather unique meeting held near Mt. Pleasant in a stone quarry where the Mark Mason degree was conferred on ten candidates. Candles and moonlight furnished the light. There were over 200 Companions present. He attended many gatherings outside the State among them the gathering at Sun Valley, Idaho.

Many schools of Instruction had been held throughout the State. The Grand High Priest felt that individual schools of Instruction held in each Chapel would be more effective.

In closing his address the High Priest said, "I urge you to let the influence of Freemasonry be a light to guide your path through life. Then fearful men will lose their fears, tired men will forget their weariness, lethargic men will be aroused to interest and we shall go forward in Unity to help men find their lives in nobility, in dignity and in high service to God and man."

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 16,275, a net increase of 63.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand April 5, 1958—$13,148.61.

The Grand Chaplin, Raymond M. Shipman, gave an outstanding address. His subject was, "The Key to Men's Hearts." He closed his address with these words—"To be good men and true is the first lesson taught us in Masonry. We are taught to exercise fairness should we be entrusted with authority. We will never hesitate to go on foot and out of our way to aid and succor a needy brother. We will remember his welfare in prayer and reach out our hand to assist and support a falling brother. Masonry may well give us the key to men's hearts."

J. Elliott Grayson was elected Grand High Priest.

On accepting office the Grand High Priest Elect said, "This year we must stress reinstatements of demitted and suspended members; each one secured can increase the Grand Chapter total as much as a new member. This is a fertile field."

The 102nd Convocation closed in ample form.

Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland

Sydney Hanna, M. B. E., M. E. Grand King
James O. Harte, R. E. Grand Registrar

The stated Convocations of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland are held in Freemasons Hall, Dublin, on the first Wednesday, in the months of February, May, July and November at 8::00 o'clock P.M.

M. E. Sydney Hanna was elected Grand King at a Special Convocation held on 18th September, 1957, and installed at the November Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter. A very large attendance of Companions was present, representatives of every part of Ireland, and it is

worthy to note that 300 Companions travelled specially from Belfast for the occasion. Messages of congratulation and good wishes were received from the Grand Chapters of England and Scotland.

At the May Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter it was confirmed that the Superintendency known as Transvaal should be styled the District Grand Royal Arch Chapter of South Africa, Northern.

At the July Convocation of Supreme Grand Chapter this alteration to Supreme G. C. Laws was approved: "The Grand King under the Irish constitution may be re-elected annually."

In March a team from R. A. C. No. 682, Belfast, visited Dublin to exemplify the Mark Degree. The Grand Chapter of Instruction reports that the degree was admirably demonstrated.

The reports of the M. E. District Grand First Principals all refer to their pleasure at the installation of Sydney Hanna as M. E. Grand King. For example, the D. D. G. F. P. (of Down) writes: M. E. Comp. Sydney Hanna is held in such esteem by his Companions in Northern Ireland that over 300 of them travelled by special train to see him installed. This official also reports: "The year has been one of steady progress, all our Convocations were well attended and the proceedings were thoroughly enjoyed by all Companions."

D. G. C. Londonderry, Donegal, Tyrone and Fermanagh reports: "The Convocations of the District Grand Chapter were well attended and the officers keen and enthusiastic."

North Munster refers to the recent assumption of domicile in the Limerick Area of Comp. Lord Daresbury as being a "tower of strength to our operations in North Munster."

South Africa Northern and Natal report increases in membership and growing enthusiasm. Southern Cape "have had one of the most harmonious years of our brief existence."

This reviewer, whose maternal and paternal grandfathers were born in Ireland, greatly enjoyed reading the proceedings of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Ireland dealing with places so familiar in household conversations in his early days. It is gratifying to learn that Royal Arch Masonry is still healthy and progressive in the Emerald Isle.

Kansas

M. E. Neil M. McLeod, Grand High Priest

M. E. Arthur Strickland, Grand Secretary

The Ninety-Third Annual Convocation of the M. E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas was convened in the Masonic Temple, Topeka, Kansas, on Monday, March 10, 1958, with many distinguished guests and Grand Representatives present. They were greeted and given Grand Honors.

In his address the Grand High Priest asid, "Our Capitular Rite is ancient and honorable; its history is as old as the blue canopy. Masonic teaching is a builder of character and he who abides by it need have no fear. The teachings of Masonry as such are very plain and understandable, the lessons portrayed are deeper and more far-reaching than appear on the surface. Masonry embraces all the problems of the individual and society. Masonry harmonizes all with whom it comes in contact. Our ideals are lofty and worth striving to reach. Our work and ceremonies should inspire us to nobler deeds and higher thoughts. Truly the Royal Arch is the summit of the sublime principles of Masonry.

"This Grand Chapter is particularly fortunate in having many experienced craftsmen, who are ever ready and willing to lend assistance, in carrying on the work of this Grand Jurisdiction."

The Grand High Priest then gave an account of his stewardship for the year. His visitations were many, both in the Jurisdiction of Kansas as well as in Sister Jurisdictions.

The Grand High Priest reported the death of 348 Companions during the year and extended sympathy to the bereaved.

He also reported 372 suspensions and said that this was something that could be remedied. He suggested that Companions over 65 years of age who could not afford to pay dues should be carried on the books free.

The Grand Treasurer reported a bank balance February 21, 1958, of $26,710.00 and bonds to the value of $21,500.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 699, a total loss of 130.

Glen E. Williams was elected Grand High Priest.

The Grand Chapter was closed in ample form.

Kentucky

Robert E. Lee, Grand High Priest

Charles K. A. McGaughey, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Fortieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky was held in Louisville, October 15-16, 1957.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form. The Invocation was given by the Grand Chaplain, Companion George S. Hunt.

The flag of the United States was presented at the Altar and the Companions joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The distinguished guests and Grand Representatives were greeted and given Grand Honors.

The Grand High Priest in his address made some recommendations—"I think that we should at all times observe our rules for devotion. More attention should be given to introduction and welcoming of visitors at our meetings."

Companion Chester D. Adams, Chairman of the Committee on Necrology said, "The grim Reaper has laid a heavy hand upon the Companions of this Jurisdiction. Each year we will be seeing many new faces at these Convocations. As we welcome the new, we will not forget the old.

The dead friends live, and always will;
Their presence hovers 'round us still.
It seems to me they come to share
Each joy or sorrow that we bear."

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance in bank October, 1957, of $1,223.09 and investments to the value of $77,700.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 16,189, a net gain of 17. W. S. Williams was elected Grand High Priest.

The Convocation was closed in ample form at 9.45 p.m.

Louisiana

John W. Felps, Grand High Priest

Lee W. Harris, Grand Secretary

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Louisiana held its One Hundred and Eleventh Convocation in Baton Rouge, on March 10-11, 1958.

Jack Christian, Mayor of Baton Rouge, welcomed the Companions in behalf of the city and presented a Key to the City of Baton Rouge to the Grand High Priest.

As the various groups of distinguished visitors were introduced at the Altar, they were welcomed by the Grand High Priest, given Grand Honors of Capitular Masonry and invited to seats in the East. Among the Grand Representatives were three from Canada—J. L. Stephen, Ben B. Fox and Horace Ludwig. Extracts from address given by Grand High Priest—

"We are told that a Father's watchful care is always over us and His all-seeing eye is ever upon us. These precious words have assumed for me a new depth of meaning as I travelled around our State, but not alone, for with me was that Eternal Friend supporting and guiding me.

"It is with a sense of profound sorrow that we record the passing of many of our Companions. To their bereaved families we extend our heartfelt sympathy. The condition of Capitular Masonry in this State is good but not as good as it should be. I visited every Royal Arch Chapter in the State. I have witnessed the work of many outstanding degree teams.

If Capitular Masonry is to maintain its proper position in Louisiana we must all endeavour to stand for the continuation of unity and harmony among our Companions."

The Grand Treasurer reported a bank balance of $16,013.10 and bonds to the value of $33,800.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 10,492, a net gain of 69.

James Albert Thompson was elected Grand High Priest.

Convocation closed in Ample form.

Maine

Roger W. Staples, Grand High Priest

Earl D. Webster, Grand Secretary

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine met in its One Hundred and Thirty-Third Annual Convocation in Masonic Temple, Portland, Maine, on Tuesday, May 6, 1958.

The Grand High Priest ordered the admission of all Royal Arch Masons in good standing as visitors. There were many distinguished guests and Grand Representatives present. Among the number present were three from Canada—Russel O. Spencer, Nova Scotia; Linwood E. Temple, Quebec; and Stanley A. Snow from Saskatchewan.

In his address, the Grand High Priest said: "Our purpose is to conduct the annual business of this Grand Chapter with all efforts directed towards the advancement of our Capitular Rite. We are proud and happy to welcome so many distinguished guests. I have signed a commission appointing Roy M. Anderson, of Ontario, as a Grand Representative.

M. E. Companion Clyde French, our Grand Lecturer, continues his outstanding work in giving ritual assistance and guidance.

The work being done in most Chapters is commendable. I have observed a definite improvement in ritual and interest in most Chapters.

During the year we have lost many of our Companions by death. Let us join in paying silent tribute to their memory."

The Grand High Priest had a very busy year with his many visitations and reported a healthy condition of Capitular Masonry generally throughout the State.

The Grand Treasurer reported total assets (cash and bonds) to the value of $98,048.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a net loss of 207 in membership.

Nelson B. Camick was elected M. E. Grand High Priest.

At 10.55 a.m. the Grand Chapter was closed in due form, with prayer by E. Companion Robert P. Frazier, Grand Chaplain.

Manitoba

M. E. Comp. A. J. West, Grand Z.

M. E. Comp. C. J. Hutchings, Grand Scribe E.

The Thirty-Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba was opened in ample form in the Donald Street Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, on Wednesday, February 12, 1958, at 9.00 o'clock A.M. Many distinguished guests were present and were given Grand Honors and escorted to seats in the East.

The flags of Canada and the United States of America were presented in a colorful ceremony. Then the National Anthems of the two countries were sung by the Companions.

In his address the Grand First Principal said, "The whole moral and spiritual system of Royal Arch Masonry is based on the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God, whose light has made man's way clear before him. I am very pleased to report another net gain for this year. Here let us pause a moment in remembrance of those who served so well during their time of life, and have passed on to a higher plane of activity in the Grand Chapter above. There were 41 who passed on to higher service in 1957. We of this Grand Jurisdiction extend our deep and sincere sympathy to the bereaved."

On June 1, 1957, the International Visit of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado was held in Winnipeg. This Convocation afforded an opportunity to meet our distinguished guests who put on the Holy Royal Arch Degree, according to their ritual.

In closing his address he said, "We, as Masons, are an important part of this world. The most sacred altar on earth is the soul of man. Every human heart may be a sanctuary of faith, a shrine of love and purity. The challenge to all Royal Arch Masons is to march onward, ever onward."

The Grand Treasurer reported cash in bank $2,073.23 and government bonds to the value of $1,400.00.

The Grand Scribe E. reported membership to be 2319 — a net increase of 75 members.

Sorry we have neither time nor space to deal with all the excellent reports given.

The election of officers followed.

M. E. Comp. Hugh Eakin, Grand Z.

M. E. Comp. C. J. Hutchings, Grand Scribe E.

The thirty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba was closed in ample form at 4.05 o'clock P.M.

Maryland

James H. Falk, M. E. Grand High Priest

D. Ross Vansant, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Sixtieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland was held in the Masonic Temple in the city of Baltimore on Tuesday, December 10th, 1957, at 2 o'clock.

The usual ceremonies were observed and a goodly number of representatives and distinguished guests were present.

In his address the Grand High Priest urged his companions to have a strong faith in the Supreme High Priest and live daily by Masonic teachings. He reported 7,447 Chapter members out of 47,473 Blue Lodge members in the State of Maryland. Although this is 15.7% and compares favourably with many Jurisdictions, the Grand High Priest issued a challenge to greatly raise this percentage.

We shall be glad to learn when we receive their 1958 report that they have obtained their objective.

The report of various Chapters, the lists of activities, the visitations and the reports of Grand Lodge Committees assure us that the state of Capitular Masonry in Maryland is healthy and progressive.

Massachusetts

Henry F. Smith, Grand High Priest

William F. Clark, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Fifty-Ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts was held in the Masonic Temple, Boston, December 10, 1957.

The Grand High Priest extended a cordial welcome to all present, and introduced the distinguished guests from other Jurisdictions. Among those introduced were two representatives from the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Quebec—M. E. Howard J. Moffatt and M. E. Alexander M. Baird.

Extracts from Grand High Priests's address:—

"It has been a wonderful experience to have served in this exalted capacity these past three years.

"This past year has been an eventful one for Royal Arch Masonry in Massachusetts and I am very pleased to report progress and prosperity at every hand in all our activities.

"I have had the privilege of visiting extensively in our Sister Grand Jurisdictions and with many of our Constituent Chapters in the Grand Jurisdiction. It is with a sense of deep regret and great loss that I report the death of so many of our Companions—636 in our own Grand Jurisdiction. We are consoled in the fact that our philosophy in Masonry is that our paths do not lead to the grave, but through it to a better and fairer life."

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 24,724 a net gain of 94.

The Grand Treasurer reported General Fund, November, 1957—$24,290.63.

M. E. Eugene P. Carver, Jr., was elected Grand High Priest.

Michigan

M. E. Comp. Orlow J. Myers, Grand High Priest

M. E. Comp. Roy Andrus, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Tenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan was held in Battle Creek, October 17-18, 1958.

Before completion of the opening ritual, distinguished guests were received, that they might witness the full ceremony of opening the Grand Chapter.

Among the distinguished guests were Grand First Principal Maurice A. Searle, and Past Grand First Principal and Grand Treasurer Fred W.

Dean from Canada. The flags of the United States and Canada were presented and the Companions joined in singing "America" and, in honor of the Canadian guests, "God Save the Queen".

Brother Russel R. Worges, Mayor of Battle Creek, welcomed the Companions in behalf of the city.

Extracts from the High Priest's address:—

To our distinguished guest of our Sister Jurisdictions, and Michigan Masonic bodies, we extend to you our sincere fraternal greetings and wish that your visit with us may be pleasant and instructive.

"Sadness prevails upon us, in this hour of our deliberations, for those Companions who have been called to the Great Beyond, in answer to the Chief Master Architect's call. There were 685 Companions who answered His summons. To the families of these deceased Companions we extend our deepest sympathy."

Prayer followed by the Grand Chaplain.

Then followed a long list of visitations to Subordinate Chapters, Michigan Grand Bodies and Sister Jurisdictions.

Among the permissions granted by the Grand High Priest we find one to Oakland Chapter No. 5, Pontiac, to make a visitation to Beaver Chapter No. 74, Strathroy, Ontario, Canada, for the purpose of exemplifying the Royal Arch degree, on Saturday, May 24, 1958.

The Grand High Priest reported that according to the District Deputy reports that considerable progress had been made in the conferring of the degrees. "Dignity and solemnity should be the dominant characteristic in all our degrees."

The report of the Grand Treasurer showed total receipts of $75,929.99, with a balance remaining of $48,742.51.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 30,890 members which is a gain of 62. At the banquet Friday evening, The Rev. George M. Cordner gave an inspiring address on the subject, "A Parable Out of Time".

Walter D. Strobel was elected Grand High Priest.

The Convocation closed with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Minnesota

M. E. Comp. Robert C. Rawson, Grand High Priest

M. E. Comp. John H. Anderson, Grand Secretary

The Ninety-Seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota was held on October 13th and 14th, 1958, in the Tabernacle of St. John's Chapter No. 9, in the city of Minneapolis.

The distinguished visitors and Grand Representatives were welcomed and given Grand Honours. Canada was represented by Clarence A. Olson.

In his address the Grand High Priest said, "Masonry is a way of life for each of us. Her strength is not in her large temples and shrines, but in the character of her members. As the strength of a chain is determined, not by the number of links, but by the quality of each link, so Capitular Masonry is measured by the quality of each member. As Masons, the cause of humanity is our cause—we are obliged to aid in fighting tyranny and oppression throughout the world. Our great objective—of making men better than they are—will be attained when truth and justice prevail throughout the world. We must translate into action our concept of our duty to our fellowman and convince the world by deed and example that Charity, Fraternity and Brotherhood are the tenets of our craft we live by, and are not meaningless and empty phrases."

The High Priest spoke of the Companions who had been called to higher service and extended sympathy to the bereaved.

He then told of his many visits to various Chapters in the Jurisdiction and visits to Sister Jurisdictions.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 16,317—a net gain of 11.

M. E. Comp. Harvard B. Olson was elected Grand High Priest for 1958-59.

M. E. Comp. Emil A. Wold was elected Grand Secretary.

The ninety-eighth Annual Convocation will be held in Minneapolis, October 14-15, 1959.

The Grand Chapter of Minnesota was closed in ample form at 11.35 a.m.

Mississippi

Horace L. Villee, Grand High Priest

Sid F. Curtis, Grand Secretary

The Grand Chapter of Mississippi, R. A. M. was opened in ample form on May 14, 1958, by M. E. Grand High Priest Horace L. Villee in the Convention Room of the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Jackson, Miss.

In his address the Grand High Priest said, "It has been my earnest purpose to serve my Brethren and Companions in such a way that Freemasonry in general and Capitular Masonry in particular, may be better known and appreciated, both within and without this great fraternity.

Let us, before proceeding with the business of this Convocation, stand and be led in prayer for the bereaved families of our beloved Companions who have been called from the labours of this life to a life of higher service.

I have appointed Harold R. Nickelson to be a Grand Representative from Saskatchewan, Canada, and Charles W. Morrow from British Columbia, Canada."

The Grand High Priest reported a long list of visitations travelling by car alone a total of 12,290 miles.

"I'm glad to report that we have shown an increase in membership for the 24th consecutive year. We have shown a net gain of 123 members for a total of 10,579 members in 57 Chapters."

He closed his address with the following:—

"It is loving, not in being loved, the heart is blessed;
It is giving, not in seeking gifts, we find our quest.
Whatever be thy longing, or thy need, that do thou give;
So shalt thy soul be fed, and thou, indeed, shalt truly live."

The Grand Treasurer reported total funds on hand March 31st, 1958, $105,269.30.

The Grand Lecturer presented an outstanding report. Sorry we are unable to quote from it.

Among the Grand Representatives welcomed were John B. Wheelis from Alberta, Colon Odell Brooks from British Columbia, and Juston M. Jones from Canada.

D. Dorsey Hill was elected Grand High Priest.

The meeting was closed in ample form at 4.15 p.m.

Missouri

D. Thomas Moffitt, Grand High Priest
Ray V. Denslow, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Missouri was convened at 9.03 a.m., Friday, April 25, 1958, Kansas City.

Reception of distinguished visitors and Grand Representatives followed. The Grand High Priest spoke of the passing of time and the toll it takes. He said, "We have been told that Death is a theme not lightly to be broached by those who are subject to its power. We find it necessary to record the death of 473 of our Companions who have passed beyond the veils. Let us pause for a moment in memory of these—our departed Companions.

"We are fortunate in having a charity fund. It now amounts to more than $5,000.00. This fund is working. From this fund we hope to be able to contribute at least $1,000.00 a year for charitable purposes.

"In general, we can report a renewed interest in things, Capitular. Wherever we journeyed during the year, we met with enthusiastic workers, anxious to do everything to promote our rite.

"What is needed most is strong leadership. Our membership is approximately 24,000. With 125,000 Master Masons in Missouri there opens a wonderful field for missionary work. What do you propose to do about it?

"For several years, the Grand Chapter has required each Chapter to file with its annual returns an audit of its books. This is done as a protection to your Chapter. Last year your audit showed that expenditures exceeded receipts. A Chapter with strong financial background is the successful Chapter. With a full treasury you can properly assume your place in Free Masonry."

"Royal Arch Masonry is on the march. We grow because we are attempting to teach great moral and spiritual lessons."

The Grand Secretary reported a total of 23,342 members—a net gain of 10.

The Grand Treasurer reported balance per books March 31, 1958, $33,693.59.

The Grand Lecturer, Bruce H. Hunt, gave a very fine report.

Irvin J. Freiberger was elected Grand High Priest.

The Convocation was closed in ample form at 4.32 p.m. by the Grand High Priest.

Montana

Everett Redeen, M. E. Grand High Priest
William A. Thaanum, R. E. Grand Secretary

The Sixty-Ninth Annual Convocation of the M. E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Montana was held at Havre, June 11,1958.

The Mayor, the Honorable James Davies extended a sincere welcome on behalf of the citizens of Havre.

Side by side, a color guard displayed the flags of the United States of America and the Union Jack of the Dominion of Canada, west of the Altar, with all Companions at attention.

The reception of distinguished guests followed.

In his address, the Grand High Priest, after expressing his pleasure at the goodly number present, referred to the number of Companions

who had passed on during the year and extended sympathy to the bereaved.

He told of his many visitations and mentioned being present at all district meetings. At these meetings the securing of new members was discussed, also ways of helping officers in outlining programs to retain members. He urged all Companions to make a special effort to encourage the older Companions to attend and see that transportation was provided for them.

Grand Treasurer reported a balance in bank June 1, 1958—$3,879.94, and in the investment account $14,500.00.

Grand Secretary reported membership to be 4,976, a gain of 166.

John A. Peters was elected Grand High Priest.

The Convocation was closed in ample form at 5.30 p.m., June 11th, at Havre, Montana.

Nebraska

M. E. Lewis Baker, Grand High Priest

M. E. Carl R. Greison, Grand Secretary

The Ninety-First Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska, was held in the Masonic Temple, Omaha, on Wednesday and Thursday, December 4-5, 1957.

The distinguished guests were welcomed and given Grand Honors. The Grand High Priest referred to the number of Companions who had passed on during the year. There were 131 of them. "We regret the passing of these fine Companions, and extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives and friends." The Grand High Priest reported on his visitations which were numerous. He said, "Capitular Masonry in Nebraska is functioning very well in most localities. Most of our Chapters—and I say most—are doing fine in perfecting the work and devising plans for interesting meetings. Let us as Masons live according to the rules and designs laid down by the Master, all of which are contained in the sacred pages of the Holy Bible, that Book of Books, which rests upon the Altar of Masonry and without which we cannot work."

The Grand Secretary reported the number of Masons to be 8,209, a gain of 64.

The Grand Treasurer reported cash and bonds on hand to the value of $13,521.10.

M. E. Comp. Louis V. Sylvester was elected Grand High Priest.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand Chapter was closed.

Nevada

William T. Reid, Grand High Priest

E. C. Peterson, Grand Secretary

The Eighty-Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the State of Nevada was held in Las Vegas, Nevada, June 10, 1958. It was opened in ample form at 9.10 a.m. The Grand Chaplain offered a prayer and a Flag service was held.

The distinguished guests were received and welcomed.

After welcoming all Companions and distinguished guests, the Grand High Priest referred to the Companions throughout the Jurisdiction who had passed on during the year. The Chaplain then led in prayer.

The Grand High Priest then spoke of his many activities and visitations during the year and closed his remarks by saying, "I have completed one of the happiest years of my life and I have done my best."

The Grand Secretary reported a gain in membership of 24 (total membership not given).

The Grand Treasurer reported a bank balance on June 6, 1958—$1,936.64 and bonds on deposit to the value of $3,000.00.

The Grand Orator, Clarence K. Jones, delivered a splendid address on "Alertness" and warned of the major "isms" at work in the world today. He listed them as Communism, Socialism, Romanism and Radical Unionism. In closing he said, "I would like each one of you to take a new look at our country, analyze these things I have called to your attention, and be alert to the possibilities of our losing the very things we here today are doing."

Frank Woodliff was elected Grand High Priest.

The business of the eighty-fifth Annual Convocation having been completed, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nevada was closed in ample form.

New Brunswick

M. E. Rev. Daniel Campbell MacKenzie, First Grand Principal Z.

M. E. Roy E. Crawford, Grand Scribe E.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Brunswick assembled in the Seventy-First Annual Convocation at the Masonic Hall in the town of St. Stephen, on Thursday, June 26th. It was opened in ample form at 9.45 a.m. After the opening prayer by the V. E. Grand Chaplain, the distinguished visitors were introduced and welcomed. Then followed the Grand Chapter devotions conducted by V. E. Companion Karl F. Drew, Grand Chaplain who gave an outstanding message.

The Mayor of St. Stephen, His Worship J. Carleton Brown, welcomed the Masons to St. Stephen.

The Grand Z. in his address, expressed his pleasure in having so many distinguished guests present, and hoped that their visit would be both pleasing and profitable.

In the course of his address the Grand Z. said, "These are things that Royal Arch Masonry can do for every man: namely, inspire him with confidence so that he holds his head proudly; place upon him responsibility so that he realizes his dependence upon the Eternal Ruler of the Universe; and give him that abiding joy that comes to all who endeavour to discharge their trust honourably to themselves and satisfactorily to their Chapters.

"We pause at this time to pay our tribute to the memory of those who have been called from labour to rest and refreshment during the year. Their memory we cherish in our hearts. Their families and friends we commend to the Most High. Let us stand with heads bowed while our Grand Chaplain leads us in prayer.

"It has been a delight to visit in turn each of the Chapters in this Jurisdiction. It was a rich and rewarding experience to be present at the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Canada. I must here express my high regard for Most Excellent Companion Maurice Searle. He is a most gracious host, and presided over the sessions with great dignity."

The Grand Scribe E. reported a membership of 1,501, a net increase of 13.

The Grand Treasurer reported a bank balance as of June 4, 1958—$1,777.56, and bonds to the value of $2,000.00.

M. E. Comp. John A. Gorveatte, Grand Z. for 1958-59.

Roy E. Crawford, Grand Scribe E.

There being no further business, the seventy-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick was closed in ample form at 6.00 o'clock.

New Hampshire

Howard R. Kelley, M. E. Grand High Priest
Hiram W. Johnson, R. E. Grand Secretary

The One Hundredth and Thirty-Ninth Annual Convocation of the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of New Hampshire was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of Concord on Tuesday, May 20, 1958.

The Convocation was opened in due form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Rev. Wilbur S. Deming.

After the reception of the distinguished guests and Grand Representatives (among the number being three from Canada—Alfred H. White from Ontario, Harry F. Wing from British Columbia, and Charles E. Dearborn from Alberta), The Grand High Priest spoke as follows—"This Grand Chapter is particularly fortunate in having many experienced craftmen who are ever ready and willing to lend assistance to carry on the work of this Jurisdiction. During the year we have lost four Grand Officers, Sixteen Past High Priests, and eighty-eight Royal Arch Masons. We extend our sympathy."

Many official visitations were reported.

The Grand High Priest recommended "That the Grand Royal Arch Chapters of Argentina and that of Free Germany be recognized and Grand Representatives be exchanged."

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 3,556—a net loss of 35.

The Grand Treasurer reported a bank balance of $8,216.03.

Harold S. Foster was elected Grand High Priest.

The Grand Chapter closed in ample form at 4.30 p.m.

New Jersey

M. E. Oram E. Henry, Grand High Priest
M. E. William Beck, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and First Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of New Jersey was convened in the Masonic Temple, Trenton, New Jersey, on May 3, 1958, and opened in Form at 9.00 o'clock by the Grand High Priest.

The distinguished guests were received and accorded the Grand Honors. In his address the Grand High Priest said he felt honored by the presence of so many distinguished guests, from far and near, and he extended a welcome to each one present.

He referred to the many departed Companions and in his prayer he said, "We thank Thee for the ties that bind us to the unseen world and for the dear and holy dead, who compass us as a cloud of witnesses, and make the distant Heaven a home to our hearts."

The High Priest recommended, that as a project, the Royal Arch Masons of New Jersey undertake to supply the Eye Clinic at the Masonic Home in Burlington with equipment needed to give the best possible service to the guests at the Home. He suggested a fund be set up and called "The Royal Arch Eye Clinic Fund".

The Grand Secretary reported the membership to be 9,496—a net loss of 71.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of $7,428.73.

Jesse Schaem was elected to the office of Grand High Priest.

No further business appearing, the Convocation was closed after prayer by the Right Excellent Grand Chaplain.

New York

M. E. H. Randall Kreger, Grand High Priest

M. E. George A. Lambert, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Sixty-First Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of New York convened in the Masonic Temple in the City of Albany on Thursday, February 6, 1958 at 9.30 a.m. The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form, with prayer at the Altar by the Grand Chaplain.

The colours were presented at the Altar and the Companions joined in the Pledge of Allegiance, and in singing one verse of The Star Spangled Banner and one verse of God Save the Queen.

The distinguished guests and representatives of other Jurisdictions were greeted and given Grand Honors. Among the Grand Representatives was Clifford A. McDonald from Canada and among the distinguished guests M. E. Maurice A. Searle, Grand First Principal from Canada and M. E. John M. Burden, Past Grand First Principal from Canada and Grand Representative of New York.

Grand High Priest's address:—

"All the strength and force of a man comes from his faith in things unseen. He who believes is strong; he who doubts is weak. Strong convictions precede great actions. Clear, deep, living convictions rule the world.

"This is the hour set apart to remember our faithful dead. A note of sadness is present, for always we find missing from their accustomed places, the forms and faces of Companions who have served this Grand Chapter with freedom, fervency and zeal. We owe them much. Our own conviction has been immensely strengthened and our faith far more virile because of them. We place upon the records of our proceedings an appreciation of their services and an expression of sorrow at their passing." A memorial prayer was offered at the Altar by R. E. the Rev. Charles D. Broughton, Grand Chaplain.

In continuing the Grand High Priest said, "Our goal should be 'One out of every three Master Masons a Royal Arch Mason'. The 'Empire State' should boast a minimum of 100,000 Royal Arch Masons.

"A Candidate is entitled to the best we can give him. Masonry can only be enjoyed through understanding. We as Royal Arch Masons seek to enlighten Master Masons. Any one entering upon a new field of labor must of necessity begin to develop his knowledge, otherwise he will soon become disinterested. Proficiency in the preceding degree must be demonstrated before being advanced.

"Education is the very core of our being as Royal Arch Masons. You will find the magazine 'Royal Arch Mason' very valuable.

"Our Grand Chapter is not a one-man organization; we need and can use the services and talents of every Companion in the State.

"Individual reference is not being made to the visitations made by your Grand High Priest during the year 1957. Suffice it to say that a total of 213 visits were made, which included some one hundred and fifty events involving Chapters.

"We are Masons and must by impression, implication or by affiliation, depict Masonry in our daily living. No Mason can fully appreciate unless he seeks more light and knowledge. It takes a lot of time to get experience, and once you have it, you ought to go on using it. We must remember that everything comes to him who hustles while he waits."
the heritage which was his when he became a part of this great fraternity

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 34,529—a net loss of 383.

Total balance on hand January, 1958—$23,872.30.

M. E. Frederick C. Breithaupt was elected Grand High Priest.

After reading the Journal of the Proceedings, Grand Chapter was closed in due and ancient form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

New Zealand

The Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Zealand held its Sixty-Sixth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, The Terrace, Wellington, on Wednesday, March 5, 1958, at 10.00 a.m.

M. E. Comp. T. A. Fletcher, presiding

R. E. Comp E. Cannons, Grand Scribe E.

Immediately following the opening ceremonies the usual welcome and reception was given to representatives and distinguished visitors.

Owing to floods having caused disruption of the rail, road and air services, there were several who sent messages of regret at their inability to attend. After the confirmation of minutes the name of R. E. Companion J. N. Anderson was proposed as First Grand Principal for the ensuing year. The proposer said, "His wide Masonic knowledge and administrative abilities are well known to Companions." The nomination being seconded was declared unanimous.

The address of the First Grand Principal, T. A. Fletcher, contained these extracts:

"During the year it has been my pleasure and privilege to visit all districts in the Dominion. I have been particularly impressed by the high standard of work that I have witnessed and by the eagerness displayed everywhere for further information on the Degrees of the H. R. A.

"I have also endeavoured to stress the work of our Jubilee Scholarship Fund. The contributions this year have been nearly £1,000 more than last year. We have a proud record of assistance given (to the children of deceased Companions) and of young people who, thanks to the Jubilee Scholarship Fund, have taken full advantage of the opportunities we have been able to give them. Let us keep up that proud record.

"The membership was reported as 7,881 which is a gain of 134 for the year. During the year 1957, 13 scholarships were awarded. The reports on the progress of those receiving assistance have been uniformly good and the expressions of gratitude for our help are very rewarding."

Canada was represented by M. E. Comp. N. B. Spencer, P. G. Z.

North Carolina

M. E. Clifton L. Taylor, Grand High Priest

R. E. John H. Parker, Grand Secretary

The Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina was convened in the One Hundred and Thirty-Six Annual Convocation in the new Masonic Temple, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on Tuesday, May 6, 1958, at 2.30 o'clock by M. E. Clifton L. Taylor, Grand Priest, following prayer by acting Grand Chaplain Rev. and Companion Sinclair Tebo.

The distinguished visitors were received and given Grand Honours. In the roll call of Grand representatives, Canada was represented by E. G. LaPatra. The Grand High Priest expressed his pleasure at seeing so many representatives present and said it was an inspiration to have such wonderful support.

In his address, the Grand High Priest said, "Once more we are assembled together for the good of Capitular Masonry, and at this, the one hundred and thirty-sixth Annual Convocation of our Grand Chapter it is my pleasant privilege to extend you warm fraternal greetings.

"At this time, when greed, oppression and ungodliness are rampant throughout the world, I feel I could not truly claim the grace of the Great Creator if I did not call attention to the great spiritual values of Royal Arch Masonry and the good effects that would be engendered if we faithfully practise the tenets of our profession.

"Our hearts are heavy with sorrow in the knowledge that during this Grand Chapter year Companion David Ernest Bullock, Past Grand High Priest, and 109 other Companions throughout the State were called to eternal rest by the Supreme High Priest of the Universe. To their families and loved ones, we extend our sincere sympathy and trust that God's love will sustain them."

Among the list of visits to other Jurisdictions, the Grand High Priest spoke of his attendance at the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada held in Toronto, Canada, April 26-29, 1958, at which time it celebrated its 100th anniversary. He said, "That Grand Chapter is to be congratulated on its contribution to Capitular Masonry and on its centenary program. Our Canadian Companions do things in grand style."

These visits have been truly educational and spiritually uplifting.

The Grand High Priest recommended that a recently published 3 volume set "History of Royal Arch Masonry" should be in the library of each subordinate Chapter. It can be purchased for $9.00 per set.

"Our annual losses from suspension on account of non-payment of dues are appalling. Losses from this source alone amounted to 185 in 1957. Attendance at Grand Chapter annual Convocations by a larger number of our Companions is of prime importance."

The Board of General Purposes at the annual meeting of the Board held in the city of Winston-Salem, May 6, 1958, commended the Grand High Priest for his able and efficient administration of the affairs of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina during the past Capitular year and for his unselfish efforts in behalf of Capitular Masonry.

The Grand Treasurer reported the grand total resources to be $51,395.90.

The Grand Secretary reported the membership to be 7,470 at the end of December, 1957. This was a net gain of 77 members for 1957.

On Wednesday morning, May 7th, Most Excellent James Luther Jordan, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter gave a most outstanding address. We regret being unable to quote more freely from this address. We do wish to direct your attention to this part of his message. "Freemasonry insists that a man is a moral and spiritual being, living in a moral and spiritual world; governed by moral and spiritual law. If the day ever dawns that Freemasons deny the historic thesis that man is a child of God, gifted with the dignity of free will and is an immortal soul; then all the magnificent temples in this broad land, all the gold in Fort Knox; all the mighty forces on land, or sea, or in the air; armed with all the nuclear weapons conceived by the minds of man, cannot save Freemasonry nor the free world."

R. E. Companion Alton E. Baum was elected Grand High Priest for 1958-59.

Benjamin S. Scott, of London, Canada, was appointed to represent the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina.

North Dakota

M. E. Comp. Roscoe H. Sherman, Grand High Priest

Clifford E. Miller, Grand Secretary

The 69th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of North Dakota convened in the Masonic Temple, Jamestown, North Dakota, March 12, 1958, at 4 p.m.

High Priest George Conklin, Jamestown Chapter No. 6, after opening his Chapter received Grand Chapter Officers, giving the appropriate Grand Honours and welcome.

1957 proceedings were approved as printed and distributed. A Grand Chapter-Grand Council Banquet was held at 6.30 p.m. at which 170 Companions with their ladies were in attendance.

At the Thursday morning session a lengthy list of distinguished guests were introduced, escorted to the Grand East, and given Grand Honours. An especially cordial greeting was extended to those Companions "who have come to sojourn with us from beyond that imaginary line to the north which stretches over 3,000 miles, unscarred and unmarred by either a fortification or a soldier." He then commented on the Peace Garden, half in Manitoba, half in North Dakota, as "one of the most unique institutions in all the world. Truly the sentiment expressed on the Stone Cairn is expressive of the heart and mind of masonry as well as that of the peoples of these two great free nations. So again I say to all of you, welcome to North Dakota where the 'Sunshine Spends the Winter'."

In reporting his visitations to other Jurisdictions the Grand High Priest referred to Templar Park on the shores of beautiful Spirit Lake, Iowa, which furnishes a wonderful recreation and vacation area for all Iowa masons and their families. The park is complete with playground, a commodious hotel and a spacious pavilion erected and maintained by the Iowa Grand Commandery of Knights Templar.

In recommending that "our delegation to the next triennial in 1960" vote for a permanent increase of four cents per member after 1960, he comments on the increasing costs "of everything from lead pencils to clerical personnel and travelling expenses" with which all Grand Bodies are faced in the "relentless war waged by General Inflation."

Membership: Returns for the year 1957, as in so many other Jurisdictions, were reported as disappointing because of a net loss of 40, largely due to remissions and suspensions. Membership beginning 1958 is 2,808.

An interesting and informative report was submitted by the Committee on Capitular Education. "The essence of our program is a vigorous membership campaign (over 10,000 copies of a leaflet "Complete your Master Mason Degree" are available for promotional work among newly raised Master Masons); regular attendance at Blue Lodge communications; efficient and impressive presentation of the Capitular ritual in which as many companions as possible are to participate; cultivate a warm and sincere fraternal fellowship, diligent study of the history, philosophy and ritual of the Capitular Rite."

Grand Representatives—Their representative to Canada, Albertus C. Scott, Rugby, North Dakota. Our representative to North Dakota, James Fergus, Montreal, Canada.

Nova Scotia

M. E. Comp. Bertram Roland Taylor, Grand High Priest

M. E. Comp. H. F. Sipprell, Grand Secretary

The Eighty-Ninth Annual Convocation held in St. John's, Newfoundland, June 30, 1958.

Special Convocations were held throughout the Masonic year at O'Leary, Prince Edward Island; Springfield, Nova Scotia; and Halifax, Nova Scotia.

At the Springfield Convocation, the Grand Archivist in his Report made reference to "two papers of considerable importance to Royal Arch Masonry" read before the Masonic Research Association, namely: (1) "The correspondence with the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of England dealing with the territorial Sovereignty of the Grand Chapter of Canada formed in 1858", written by M. E. Comp. R. V. Conover; (2) "Royal Arch Masonry in Canada and United States before 1800", by M. E. Comp. R. V. Harris. Both these papers were favourably commented upon.

The Report on Benevolence mentions the donation of a total of $1,465 "to assist a needy student in Acadia University; to help the hospital bill of the son of a brother Mason; subscriptions in Braille to blind friends throughout the Maritimes; and to raise funds for the Masonic Homes". In addition reference was made to refunds of Grand Chapter assessment to local Chapters for Benevolent purposes.

A Divine Service was held on Sunday, June 29, in the Cochrane Street United Church at which the Grand Chaplain gave an impressive and appropriately Masonic Sermon on "I am that I am", Exodus 3: 14.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form at 9 o'clock on Monday, June 30th. The Grand High Priest extended a hearty welcome to distinguished members of sister Jurisdictions, received them in the East and called for Grand Honours.

Most Ex. Comp. Bertram Roland Taylor began his address, "Companions, we are assembled today in this famed historic and friendly city of St. John's, in the oldest part of the British Commonwealth in North America, whose people are world-renowned for their independence of character and who are hospitable to a fault." He went on to urge all Companions to take an active interest in the deliberations and the proceedings.

"Again this past year we have seen crises in the cold war with communism, revolt in parts of Europe and North Africa, but the influence of the statesmen from the countries that cherish the principles for which this Grand Organization stands has to a great extent nullified the efforts of those seeking to impose their will upon the Free World. We hope and pray that peace and harmony may soon be established among all Nations of the World."

Membership—An increase of 136 brought membership to a total of 2,864 "the highest in our history". The Grand Chapter of Canada offers congratulations. May the good record continues.

The chairman of the Board of General Purposes recommended granting the request of the National Grand Chapter Helvetia of Royal Arch Masons of Switzerland for recognition and exchange of representatives.

The Grand Treasurer's Reports showed finances in a satisfactory condition with annual receipts of upwards of $6,000.

The Annual Convention of the Grand Council of Annointed High Priests was held immediately following the closing of the Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter in ample form, Monday, June 30, at 3 o'clock p.m.

Our representative—M. E. Comp. C. M. Pitts. Their representative to Canada, M. E. Comp. Dr. P. S. Cochrane.

Ohio

Clayton W. Vetrovsky, Grand High Priest

R. E. Ralph W. Smith, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Forty-First Annual Grand Convocation of the Royal Arch Masons of the State of Ohio was held in the city of Cleveland, October 23-24, 1957.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain, E. Comp. Charles Henry Gross, the Grand High Priest declared the Grand Chapter open.

The distinguished guests were welcomed and given Grand Honors. Among the guests were three from Canada—Most Excellent Companion Maurice Searle, Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada; Most Excellent Companion Clarence Pitts, Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada; and Most Excellent Companion Howard J. Moffat, Grand First Principal, Grand Chapter of Quebec.

Extracts from the address of the Grand High Priest, Clayton W. Vetrovsky:

"We need to learn once again in this fast moving and pleasure loving age of ours, where 'Mankind is our Business', to be men of vision and not television, reproving ourselves to the lessons of humbleness and true humility. Man did not create this world of ours, so he is merely privileged to walk uprightly in it for a few short years. He has provided our being and the entrance into this transitory world, with ample provisions for health, food, shelter, intellect and development during our earthly sojourn. Hence I am very certain that when our life's work is done, He has also arranged for our reception into that Celestial Chapter on High, from whence no traveller returns.

"It again becomes my sad duty to ask your reverent attention as we remember those of our Companions, who, during the past year, have gone to their rest. One thousand, three hundred and eighty-two Companions have answered the final call."

Prayer followed by the Grand Chaplain Rev. Charles Henry Gross, who then conducted a memorial service.

Extracts from his memorial service:

"Our Masonic teaching emphasizes and keeps constantly in the foreground, two thoughts which have ever been the source of that peace and contentment all men seek—the thought of God and the hope of immortality. We, as Masons, are banded together for one great purpose—the perfection of human character, motivated by faith in a personal God to whom we owe obedience and love and who alone is the source of all that is highest and noblest and best in life; and that this life is but a training time for a larger and fuller life yet to come. This is our aim and our ambition as men and Masons; to be true to it is not only our duty and responsibility, but our joy and peace as well."

The Grand High Priest then continued:

"This past year shall always be remembered as a large and beautiful gem of many facets, radiating unusual brilliance, with each occasion more memorable than the other. I have visited 181 Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction, now comprising a total of 212. Sundry other com-

mitments made up a total of 201 visitations which entailed more than 35,000 miles of travel, by car, train or plane as would best suit the need and location.

"I can report a net gain in membership for the year of 969. This proves that our programming and united effort have not been in vain. However, there is a vast potential in Ohio still un-chaptered and available to our Craft. The strength and moral character of this Fraternal Union can be no greater, nor any less, than the force for good by which standard it has been founded. "

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 67,135, a gain of 969.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts for past fiscal year in all funds amount to $71,738.70.

In the report on Fraternal Correspondence on "Reviews" there appears the following:

Companion Conover's "The Royal Craft in the Four Divisions of the Globe", (Canada 1957) remains one of the outstanding summations of Capitular proceedings. Companion Conover has the happy faculty of gleaning worthwhile quotations from proceedings. Indeed a Chapter could well take his review as the basis of one or two educational meetings of a type that would be a little different.

Carl P. Nulsen was elected Grand High Priest.

After benediction by the Grand Chaplain, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of the State of Ohio was closed in ample form.

Oklahoma

The Grand Chapter of R. A. Masons of Oklahoma at its Sixty-Ninth Annual Convocation held in Bartlesville, April 8, 9, 1958.

M. Ex. Comp. James R. Finney, Grand High Priest 1957-58

Rt. Ex. Comp. James A. Lathem, Grand Secretary

Several distinguished visitors were cordially welcomed by the G. H. P. and escorted to the Grand East and greeted with honours appropriate to their rank. Out of State visitors were unanimously elected as Honorary Members of the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.

Forty-four Grand Representatives were cordially welcomed by the G.H.P., accorded Grand Honors and reported the activities of their respective jurisdictions. Fourteen Past G.H.P.s were cordially and appropriately received.

The Grand High Priest in his report expressed regret at the passing of beloved companions. "Proper memorial will be given by the Necrology Committee. May we stand and be led in prayer by our Grand Chaplain."

Various dispensations were announced and fraternal courtesies acknowledged. Grand Chapter Awards and Fifty-year Emblems and Certificates were announced. In the exchange of Grand Representatives this reviewer is pleased to note the issuing of a commission to Rt. Ex. Comp. A. F. Tannahill of Canada in province of Ontario.

A considerable list of visitations were listed attesting to the activities of the G. H. P. in his own Jurisdiction.

Reporting on his attendance at the Fiftieth Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons convened in Sun Valley, Idaho, on Oct. 1, 2, 3, 1957, the G. H. P. has this to say: "Against the unique background of the rare mountain beauty of this resort, whose entire facilities were turned over to the General Grand Chapter, the Companions of the Western Conference provided complete accommodations for the transaction of business and afforded unusual and novel entertainment features; such as riding ski-lifts to a mountain valley barbecue for the more than nine hundred Royal Arch Masons and their ladies." The G.

H. P. recommended recognition and exchange of representatives for the consideration of the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma to the newly organized Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the Republic of Germany, as has been done by "many if not all of the Grand Jurisdictions of the United States".

The Treasurer's report showed a total of Bank, Savings and Loan and Bonds of $34,354.12 while the Grand Secretary comments that "Grand Chapter lived well within its income and within the appropriations and showed a net profit of $534.62." R. Ex. Comp. James A. Lathim also reports membership as of Jan. 1, 1958, of 7,777—surely a propitious promise for the future according to the Pythagoreans.

The Grand Chapter representative to the Masonic Charity Foundation Board of Directors reported "The financial statement of March 31, 1958 shows tangible assets of $4,123,602.10, which does not include estates and bequests in the process of closing." These funds are principally invested in United States bonds and the entire income ($120,000.00 in 1957) is paid "for the support of the Masonic Homes and such other charitable uses as the Grand Lodge may determine".

The Grand Lecturer, M. Ex. Comp. W. King Larimore, gave a splendid report of a busy year closing with "May I urge the Chapters to designate some interested Companion to qualify as proficient to instruct in our work. The Grand Lecturer is available to you on call, without expense to your Chapter for as long and as often as you need him."

M. Ex. Comp. Hayward H. Skaggs, P.G.H.P., gave an excellent analysis as Fraternal Correspondent. A few statements from Companion Skaggs' report are worthy of special consideration. "The number of Grand Chapters experiencing losses has increased since last report and, even though not excessive in most jurisdictions we are of the opinion that when there is in connection poor attendance and lack of interest, it is time to make strict search and take corrective action.

"A spirit of apathy seems to exist in the world today and has infiltrated into practically every phase of life. Many reasons for this unhappy situation have been advanced but perhaps we should take into consideration the rapid and continuing developments of nuclear power coupled with other scientific knowledge which has permitted our understanding of the material universe to overshadow our spiritual concept, and, as a result, we find ourselves weighed down with many doubts and much indecision.

"Man for the first time in his history has come into partial control of a power capable of giving him great material blessings, while on the other hand if his baser instincts prevail he may bring about his destruction. It is evident that the time has come in our civilization for man to make a decision, for when the Master said, nearly two thousand years ago, 'Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself' He meant for the commandment to be literally obeyed. He was pointing to man's inhumanity to man and through His great compassionate love provided a way of life for all people to live in peaceful and harmonious co-existence."

Canada's representative to Oklahoma is Ben F. Mandlebaum, Bortlesville.

Oregon

Aronah H. MacDonnell, Grand High Priest

Bruce A. Janes, Grand Scribe

Richard H. Tusant, Grand Secretary

The Ninety-Seventh Annual Convocation held in Portland, Oregon, April 16-17, 1958. Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons opened in ample

form by Grand High Priest in the Masonic Temple at 9.00 o'clock a.m., April 16, 1958.

Following the prayer by the Grand Chaplain the National Colours were posted by the Grand Masters of the veils and the Oath of Allegiance given. A goodly number of visitors and guests were presented, introduced and accorded proper honours and heartily welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

A special welcome was given to the Grand High Priest and members of York Cross of Honor, and Past Grand High Priest Turpin responded for them. Fraternal greetings were extended from the Grand Commandry by R. E. Grand Commander John H. Saul who gave a short address of appreciation urging York Rite co-operation in its fullest extent.

The Grand High Priest M. E. Comp. MacDonnell, gave a recital of various functions at which he had taken part throughout the year in his own and other Jurisdictions, and extensive list which covers four and one half pages in the Annual Proceedings and is an amazing tribute to the energy and abilities of the Grand High Priest, not only for the welfare of Capitular Masonry in Oregon, but throughout the various States and in British Columbia. One of the high lights of his report dealt with his visit to General Grand Chapter Session at Sun Valley, Idaho, in which M. E. Companion MacDonnell took a prominent part on various committees. He lists the most important transactions accomplished at General Grand Chapter to which we make reference elsewhere in this review. May we quote, however, one paragraph from M. E. Companion MacDonnell's report—"The Triennials were grand meetings. There were 908 registered, 572 men, 331 women and children. The General Grand Chapter showed a gain for the three years (1954-57) of 6,000, making a total membership of 616,000. I counted 23 present from Oregon." The financial report shows a revenue of $13,624.47, expenses of $8,332.16 with total assets of $70,055.88. R. W. Davis, Grand Scretary.

The Grand Secretary, Richard H. Tusant reported membership of December 31, 1957—8,611, a net loss of 76 from previous report of January 1, 1957. Oregon Chapter No. 4 however, showed a net gain of 10.5% and is the winner of the new Dodge Cup.

The Convocation was closed in ample form at 11.30 a.m. by M. E. Grand High Priest D. Lynn Woodson, to meet in ninety-eighth Annual Convocation on April 15-16, 1959, in the city of Rosenbury.

Our Representative—Wm. E. Tregenza.

Oregon's Representative—Rex. W. Davis, Salem.

Pennsylvania

For the year ending Dec. 27, 1957, the One Hundred and Sixty-second Year

Walter D. Ferree, M. E. Grand High Priest

John C. F. Kitselman, M. E. Grand Secretary

The Quarterly Communication of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania was opened in the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, December 5th, 1957. Many distinguished visitors and Grand Representatives were welcomed by the M. Ex. Grand High Priest. "To our distinguished guests, we are delighted that you have come to pay us a visit. The Grand Bodies you represent have been most gracious to us. We trust that your stay with us will indeed be pleasant, and that upon your return home, you will take with you many happy memories of this occasion."

Commenting upon the Work, he commended the proficiency with which the degrees in general are being conferred. "These degrees are worthy of the utmost effort on the part of those who confer them." His

recital of visits within the Jurisdiction disclosed an amazingly busy year devoted mainly to the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, but to many phases of masonry as well.

"We in our time are witnessing events, some of which are alarming. We are constantly faced with the problem of maintaining peace and at the same time find ourselves contestants in a race in the development of the most destructive and terrifying elements ever conceived in the minds of man . . . As we approach the holiday season of 1957, may Peace and Goodwill be not only on the lips, but in the hearts of all Mankind and may we heed the admonition 'Be still and know that I am God'."

The Financial Report shows stock and bonds worth $222,748.74 bearing yearly income of $8,331.45. Total receipts $85,423.67 and disbursements of $3,893.29.

The Committee on Membership recorded decrease in petitions during the first ten month of 1957 of 269 as compared with a similar period in 1956.

One hundred and ninety certificates were awarded esteemed Companions in recognition of faithful membership as Royal Arch Masons for fifty years or more.

Grand Chapter closed in Peace at three o'clock p.m., December 5.

Arthur L. Miller represents Grand Chapter of Canada while our representative is John Loftus House.

Republic of the Philippines

Jose E. Racela, Grand High Priest

Antonio Gonzalez, Grand Secretary

Sixth Annual Convocation held in: Place—Plaridel Masonic Temple, 1440 San Marcelino, Manilla; Time—April 25, 1958, at 5 p.m.

At 5 p.m., April 25, Right Ex. Comp. Nicanor E. Santos, D.G.H.P., opened the Chapter to receive the M. Ex. Grand High Priest, Comp. Jos. E. Racela, who also delivered the Address of Welcome before surrendering the gavel to the Most Ex. Grand High Priest. The latter thanked Rt. Ex. Comp. Santos for the warm words of welcome, and then he, in turn, extended a hearty welcome to the Most Wor. Grand Master of the Philippines, Bro. and Comp. Howard R. Hick.

The Grand Master said that in accordance with the motto that he had chosen for his Masonic year "Prior planning prevents poor performance" he had a short prepared message to give on this his first official visitation but one that was prepared in his heart only. He then spoke of the high regard in which the Grand Lodge held the York Rite "for the great work you are doing in the search for Masonic Light". The building of the Temple and its subsequent destruction is symbolic of human life, the rise and fall of Israel, a mirror of human existence; this is exemplified in the degrees of Capitular Masonry. The stories of the Mark Master, the Past Master and the Royal Arch are Masonic lessons that cannot help but build character and bring any man closer to his Maker, and in doing so to help him find the Truth, the object of man's search, where he may stand, revealed in all its immaculate purity in the Recovery of the Word."

The Grand Master concluded his moving address with an appeal to Royal Arch Masons "to help make Free Masonry a powerful, dynamic force in our Philippines", and by "'extending my felicitations and best wishes on the occasion of your sixth Annual Convocation."

Following the roll call of Grand Officers and Chapters came the presentation of "the Flag of our country" and the pledge of allegiance.

The Most Ex. Grand High Priest then warmly welcomed the delegates of subordinate chapters reminding them that the power of legislation rested upon them and urging them to take part in the deliberations.

An eloquent and sincere response was made by Rt. Ex. Comp. Lloyd Haig who, in the name of the delegates, expressed the assurance that the convocation would close with unprecedented accomplishments. To quote but a few words: "Thus we and all humanity will enjoy forever the blessings of peace and righteousness and happiness, and we will live as brothers, safe and free from tyranny and oppression. We thank you for this hearty reception and will forever cherish the love which you have so kindly shown us."

A warm welcome was extended by the Most Ex. Grand High Priest to Grand Representatives, to which Ex. Comp. Macario C. Navia responded in simple and eloquent words. "Masonry's sphere is in the field of morality. Like religion, its realm is in the spirit. Its philosophy deals with three opposite conditions—Darkness and Light, Ignorance and Knowledge, Loss and Recovery. Royal Arch Masonry, as you know, stresses Recovery. May we not be permitted to draw a broad allusion from this Masonic fact that we have a particular mission to help in recovery of what the World has lost and needs most — its PEACE and SECURITY?

"Each one of us is a link in a great chain that goes round the world. Ours is not the only chain, but let every Royal Arch Mason be not the least in earnest effort toward the preservation of the bonds of friendship and good understanding among all peoples which will bring humanity back to the the happiness of a devoted fellowship of a united family under the fatherhood of God.

"Viewed in this light, M. E. G. H. P., our presence this evening acquires greater meaning and purpose . . . "

Next we present some of the outstanding features in the Report of G. H. P., Jose E. Racela: "Royal Arch Masonry demonstrates many aspects of life, yet the most fundamental is the concept of building within ourselves a Temple which foundation is spiritual that is indestructible. R. A. Masonry like Craft Masonry, prepares the individual in his spiritual life which he should live on earth."

NECROLOGY—"The scythe of time has knocked at the door of some of our Companions. Truly these Companions have completed life's journey and gone ahead of us to that land 'from whose bourne no traveller returns'. We are saddened with their passing, and thankful that God, in His mercy, has granted us the privilege of associating, walking and working with them."

CONDITION OF THE CRAFT: "The reports of committees will reveal to you that the condition of the Chapters is generally good."

"There is an increased membership and the finances are sound" (1,145 membership, an increase of 140; and a net gain of $2,945.35). Dispensations to form new Chapters—4.

One Conferral which attracted much attention here and abroad, was the exaltation of Bro. General Emilio Famy Aguenaldo to the degree of the Holy Royal Arch, Nov. 25, 1957. In spite of his advanced age, the Grand Old Man suffered none in order to attend his investiture."

CONCLUSION: "The past year, as your Grand High Priest, has been for me one of the greatest and richest experiences of my life. It was a rewarding one too. I had the chance to extend my search for knowledge and trust that I have absorbed some portion of the wisdom and understanding . . . Masonry is to me more than a mere institution of Freedom-loving and religious people. It is a way of life. Its challenge

today, like that of yesteryears, is the aid it can give to all mankind. Free masonry can only be felt through a practical and realistic demonstration of Charity and Brotherly Love, in the form and other Masonic aids that can be dispensed within the latitudes of its Ancient landmarks."

Quebec

Grand First Principal, M. E. Comp. H. J. Moffatt

Grand Scribe E., M. E. Comp. H. Pickering

The Eighty-First Annual Convocation was held in Montreal, Wednesday, March 26, 1958. In addition to a full attendance of Grand Chapter Officers and Grand Superintendents of Districts, thirty Grand Representatives were present to represent their respective Jurisdictions.

The Grand First Principal welcomed the members and distinguished visitors, and referred to the passing of many friends and Companions. "May you continue to build faithfully and well upon the solid foundation which they laid for us. They have laid aside their working-tools; their earthly temples are complete."

In regard to Membership he said: "The Report of our Grand Scribe E. will again show an increase (31) in net membership (total 3,315) which is gratifying. I have tried to stress throughout the year that our success will depend on holding our present members fully as much as in securing new members. Every Companion must be properly and completely instructed in Royal Arch Masonry. Each newly-admitted candidate must be made to feel that his presence in the Chapter is not only welcome but essential to the progress of the Chapter. Let us strive to make better Masons rather than more Masons."

In his report M. E. Comp. H. Pickering, Grand Scribe E., said that 12 chapters show an increase, 11 show a decrease, and 2 remain stationary. "The total revenue passing through my office amounted to $3,816, being an increase of $56.00 as compared with last year's revenue."

The Committee on State of the Order recommends: We note that some chapters that have no candidates open and close the chapter only| We recommend that the Officers of ALL Chapters exemplify a degree in order that they may keep themselves proficient in their work.

The Report on Finance and Benevolence informs us that "the assets of Grand Chapter now total $50,457.72, this being a gain over the previous year of $1,096.96. The total Assets applicable to the Benevolent Fund is $43,162.20. Grants recommended to Can. Red Cross, Children's Hospital, Montreal and Salvation Army amount to over $600.

Election of Officers for the year 1958: Grand First Principal, M. E. Comp. H. A. Morecraft; Grand Second Principal, Rt. Ex. Comp. H. Wall Clarke; Grand Third Principal, Rt. E. B. MacCharles; Grand Scribe E., M. E. Comp. H. Pickering.

During the evening session the Companions were addressed by M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, Grand First Principal, Grand Chapter of Canada in Ontario, and by M. E. Comp. F. C. Breithaupt, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New York. Thanks to your Grand Reviewer for your kindly references to Canada.

Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations held their One Hundred and Sixty-First Annual Convocation in Freemasons Hall, Providence, on Saturday, March 1, 1958.

M. E. Comp. George E. Cleek, Grand High Priest

R. E. Comp. Harry A. Reed, Grand Secretary

Grand Chapter opened in ample form at 10.00 a.m. with the usual tribute to Flag and Country. A goodly number of guests and Represen-

tatives were present. On the Roll Call of Grand Representatives Canada was answered by Chester A. Southworth.

The Grand High Priest began his address by extending a "warm personal and fraternal welcome" and trusting that "your stay will be both enjoyable and fruitful."

He reported having visited each Chapter at least once and many of them on several different occasion. "I have found in most cases a fine and enthused spirit prevails". Although some Chapters are showing improvement "there are still a few soft spots".

"My first concern was to try and improve the membership of the various Chapters. I am sorry to report a loss in membership for this year. (You are not alone in regretting this situation at the present time, 1957, but your good work will bear fruit in coming days, says this reviewer).

One of the highlights in the Report of Visitations was that of January 23, 1958, which may I quote in full: "I accepted an invitation of Ex. Comp. Robert F. Poyton H. P. and made an official visit to Harmony Chapter No. 15. A suite of twenty-four witnessed the M. E. M. Degree on a class of 33 candidates in a very fine and impressive manner. This was an evening long to remember."

Among the visits to Sister Jurisdictions was one to the 99th Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Canada upon the invitation of M. E. Companion John L. House, April 23-24-25 in Toronto.

Nova Scotia was another Annual Convocation that M. E. Companion Cleek attended across the International Border where he was "greatly honoured and pleasantly surprised to be awarded the Joseph Conway Brown Bronz Medal for meritorious service to Royal Arch Masonry".

Twenty-one Fifty Year Awards were made. Reporting on his visit to the Fiftieth Triennial Convocation in Sun Valley, Idaho, M. E. Comp. Cleek said, "At the request of the new General Grand High Priest, it is his wish that the Religious Affirmation Day be a yearly Day Observance on the Sunday before the 24th October."

Reporting for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, R. E. Companion Harry A. Reed said he had received and reviewed fifty-one proceedings of Grand Jurisdictions and had mailed to each the "Proceedings of this Grand Chapter". From the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Maryland he quoted a section of the report of their Committee on Correspondence: "The condition of Capitular Masonry in the various jurisdictions as indicated in the reports of the Grand Officers is generally good. All Grand Chapters have similar problems, most of which are our problems also, such as (a) retaining the interest of the members, (b) increasing attendance at Chapter Convocations, (c) reducing the number of suspensions and demissions and (d) the oft-declared problem of increasing the number of exaltations. On all sides we find an awareness of the conditions, but nowhere have we seen any sure fire solutions. There is universal agreement, however, that Work and Enthusiasm on the part of Chapter Officers are mandatory if progress is to be made."

This I have quoted in full because it deals with a problem facing almost all Jurisdictions of Royal Arch Masonry today.

All business having been completed the 161st Annual Convocation closed in ample form by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest at 1.00 o'clock p.m. with prayer at the Altar by the Grand Chaplain.

Our Representative: Edward H. Brennan, Leamington.

Their Representative: Chester A. Southworth.

Saskatchewan

M. E. Comp. Leonard J. Chase, Grand Z.

Alfred A. Wilson, Grand Scribe E.

The Thirty-Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan was convened at the Masonic Temple, Prince Albert, on Wednesday, May 28, 1958.

Immediately following the opening of the Grand Chapter, the Mayor of Prince Albert, David Stuart, extended a welcome.

Then followed the reception of the distinguished visitors and Grand Representatives. The Grand Z. gave these Companions a very warm welcome and Grand Honours were given them.

Before the agenda was entered into, M. E. Comp. Dr. Norman D. Kennedy offered a very fine invocation.

The Grand Z. in his address spoke of his visitations to the different Chapters. He attended the Convocation of the General Grand Chapter R. A. M. at Sun Valley, Idaho, and found it very inspiring.

He said, "It was a great privilege to attend the Centennial Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Canada, held in Toronto, April 26-29. The business sessions were conducted with dignity and efficiency. A service of Thanksgiving, attended by 1,900 Masons and their wives, was held on the Sunday prior to the opening of Grand Chapter. The banquet, held on the evening of the 28th, was attended by 1,200. The Companions of the Grand Chapter of Canada were most gracious and made our visit one long to be remembered.

"We record and mourn the passing of 56 Companions of this Grand Jurisdiction in 1957. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved."

Many splendid reports were given.

The Grand Treasurer reported a bank balance at end of March, 1958, to be $3,156.63 and bonds to the value of $9,500.00.

The Grand Scribe E. reported a total membership December 1957—2,932, net gain for the year of 61.

M. E. Comp. Dr. James P. Whyte was elected Grand Z.

The Grand Chapter was closed in ample form at 5.15 p.m.

Scotland

Review of the Quarterly Convocation held in Royal Arch Freemasons Hall, Edinburgh, on Friday, December 20, 1957.

M. E. Comp., the Rt. Hon. The Earl of Galloway, L.L., J.P., as Grand Z., presiding.

M. E. Comp. W. A. Laird, Grand Scribe E.

The Grand Z opened his address on this occasion: "Companions, once again the Christmastide is with us and the spirit of kindness and compassion animates all our hearts, and so it is meet and proper at this time that we pause for a moment to thank the Most High for the loving service to our Order which has been so willingly given by our Companions all over the world, and particularly, the work of those who have passed within the Veil since last we met."

The Grand Z then paid fitting tribute to the service of several outstanding Companions in various parts of the world and to express deepest sympathies and condolences to those who mourn their passing. "We trust that our Heavenly Father in His infinite mercy will grant them His comfort and support."

The establishment of fraternal relations with the Grand Chapter of the Netherlands was agreed was acclamation.

The M. E. Grand First Principal made detailed and interesting reports upon his visit to the Companions in South Africa, Rhodesia, Nyasaland and Kenya. May I quote part of one paragraph of his delightfully written report of his journey from Captown by the "Garden Route" to Port Elizabeth in the motor car of M. E. Comp. F. C. and Mrs. Harris, "Our route lay through rolling fertile lands and round Mossel Bay to the township of George where we stayed overnight at the Hawthordene Hotel in very delightful garden grounds with protea, arum lillies, and a host of colourful plants. The next day we travelled through very magnificent scenery, stopping at Knysna to see the centre of the Stinkwood furniture and woodcarving industry. The Stinkwood trees grow in this area but take 200 years to mature. The vast areas for which our District Superintendents are responsible and the long journeys they make in the interests of our Order and our Companions were forcibly impressed on our minds." And so page after page of this remarkable journey with a host of interesting detail and charming pictures constitutes one of the most delightful records of the visits of a Grand Z. to be encountered in the proceedings of any Jurisdiction.

A renewed invitation from the Grand Chapter of Canada for a Deputation to attend their Centenary Celebrations in Toronto at the end of April was considered by the Committee and in accordance with their recommendation of June last it was unanimously agreed that the M. E. First Grand Principal and Grand Scribe E. should go to Toronto to represent Grand Chapter."

The account of that visit and the delight of the Canadian Companions and their Grand Chapter Officers in the presence of Grand Z. of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland and of his Grand Scribe E. have been recorded in the 1958 Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Canada.

South Carolina

Everett V. Hinton, Grand High Priest

S. A. Bannister, Grand Secretary

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of South Carolina convened in its One Hundred and Forty-Seventh Annual Convocation, Tuesday, March 11, 1958, at 9 a.m. in the Francis Marion Hotel, Charleston, S.C.

Many distinguished guests were present and were given a welcome. All guests from out of State, not previously elected, were elected to Honorary membership in this Grand Chapter.

In his address, the Grand High Priest said, "It is a pleasure to welcome you to this Convocation. We are especially delighted to have so many guests from other Grand Jurisdictions with us to enjoy the hospitality of the Companions of Charleston.

"While the grim reaper has spared our official line, we mourn the passing of sixty-five Companions. To their families and friends we extend our deepest sympathy.

"I was privileged to visit eighteen of our Subordinate Chapters during the year. I also attended the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee, North Carolina and Ohio. It was my pleasure to represent our Grand Chapter on the 50th Triennial Convocation held at Sun Valley, Idaho, October 1st to 3rd, 1957.

"The statistical report will show a net gain of two hundred and twenty in membership during the year. We have over 46,000 Master Masons who are not Royal Arch Masons.

"Our present Ritual is very difficult to read and understand. I there-

fore recommend: That our present Ritual be abolished and the Ritual as put out by the General Grand Chapter be adopted in its stead."

The Grand Treasurer reported total cash available for operations—$26,527.96.

After various splendid reports were given the election of officers took place.

S. A. Bannister, Grand High Priest.

C. J. Peterson, Grand Secretary.

The Grand Chapter was closed at 12.30 p.m. with prayer by the Grand Chaplain. The next Grand Conclave to be held in the City of Anderson, S.C., Tuesday, March 10, 1959.

South Dakota

John A. Johnson, Grand High Priest

Elvin F. Strain, Grand Secretary

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of South Dakota held its Sixty-Eighth Annual Convocation at Rapid City, October 22, 1957.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain the flags of the United States and Canada were presented. Companion Ben Knect was soloist at the presentation of the flags. M. E. Companion Hugh Aiken of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, gave a fitting tribute to the Canadian Flag. A. J. West, Grand Z. of Manitoba was also present.

The distinguished guests and Grand Representatives were received and welcomed. A special welcome was given to Companion Martin G. Carlisle, Past Grand High Priest of South Dakota 57 years ago. The Grand High Priest welcomed Companion Carlisle and said he was perhaps the oldest living Past Grand High Priest in the nation.

Extracts from address of the Grand High Priest:

"The life of man is a diary in which he means to write one story and writes another, and his humblest hour is when he compares the volume as it is, with what he vowed to make it.

"Many of our devoted Companions in the several Chapters have left us during the year. We mourn their passing. We cherish their memory. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved.

"Our pleasure in visiting with the various Chapters cannot be measured. In the larger Chapters the degree work and the attendance is outstandingly good. We drove over 4,000 miles contacting Chapters within the State. Inspiring indeed were the Convocations of our Sister Jurisdictions. These experiences forcibly pointed up the tenet of Masonry's university."

The Grand Treasurer's report showed a balance September 30, 1957 of $6,486.57 and bonds to the value of $15,000.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 4,265, a net gain of 5.

Carl E. Voight was elected Grand High Priest.

Tennessee

William David McAnulty, Grand High Priest

Thomas Earl Doss, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Twenty-Ninth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee was held in Nashville on Monday, March 24, 1958, with the Grand High Priest presiding.

The distinguished visitors were introduced, escorted to the East and received Grand Honors.

After his words of welcome he referred to the loss of 174 Companions during the year and expressed sympathy to the bereaved. The Grand Chaplain Rev. George E. Coleman offered prayer.

Here is a brief extract from the High Priest's address:—

"Last year, I asked that the line officers in the Grand Chapter, visit the Chapters in their section of the State and offer their services in any way that they might be needed. I am convinced that some good has resulted in the way of inspiration, giving life to dormant Chapters and instruction in the work. The gain in membership during the past year was 440.

"If our membership grows the Grand Officers are going to have to assume the leadership in promoting Capitular Masonry and inspire the officers and members of the Chapters to greater effort and leadership, in better ritualistic work, Masonic education and promotion of Royal Arch Masonry."

The Grand High Priest recommended the recognition of the Grand Chapter of the Netherlands and the exchange of Grand Representatives.

The Grand Secretary reported the number of members December 31, 1957, to be 16,318, a net gain of 440.

The Grand Treasurer reported assets to the value of $72,327.90 (cash, bonds, etc.).

James Peek Buck was elected Grand High Priest.

Grand Chapter was closed in ample form.

Texas

Allen J. O'Brien, M. E. Grand High Priest

C. A. Young, R. E. Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Eighth Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas was opened in due form by the M. E. Grand High Priest, Allen J. O'Brien. The meeting was held in the city of Waco, Monday and Tuesday, December 2-3, 1957.

A beautiful floral wreath occupied a place of honor in the Grand East to commemorate the lives of 748 Companions of the Jurisdiction who had passed on during the year.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain the Companions pledged their allegiance to the flag.

Then followed the introduction and reception of the distinguished guests and Grand Representatives. There were six representatives present from Canada.

Extracts from address of Grand High Priest:

"A large number of you travelled many miles through this vast State to reach Waco. This speaks well of your interest and dedication to Masonry. Masonry in Texas will never die with Masons imbued with the spirit, the philosophy and dedication to service as we have represented here today.

Masonry teaches us that with obligations comes responsibilities. That points a finger at every Mason, old and new. When young men become interested in institutions such as ours I do not believe we have much to worry about here in America. Their lives, guided by the teachings of religion and Masonry, certainly guarantee the American way of life.

This year 748 of our Companions answered the call of the grim reaper. We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved."

The Grand High Priest spent a very busy year visiting in his own and sister Jurisdictions.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance in General Fund of $27,-077.08, and in the savings account $10,150.00. Bonds to the value of $131,900.00.

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 47,655, a gain of 373.

R. B. Underwood was elected Grand High Priest.

Fred F. De Vaney was elected Grand Secretary.

The one hundred and eighth Convocation was closed in ample form. Prayer followed by the Grand Chaplain.

Utah

Herman O. Fletscher, Grand High Priest

Bert Atwater, Grand Secretary

The M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Utah held its Forty-Seventh Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple at Salt Lake City, Utah, Wednesday, May 13, 1958, at 10:00 A.M. with Companion Herman O. Fletscher, Grand High Priest, presiding.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form by Herman O. Fletscher, the Grand High Priest. The Grand Chapter being duly opened, the Grand Captain of the Host was directed to present the United States flag west of the altar and the Companions joined in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The address of welcome was given by E. Companion Ralf Baker, High Priest of Utah Chapter No. 1.

Many distinguished guests were welcomed.

In his address the Grand High Priest reported on his many visitations to constituent Chapters. He said, "It is heartening to find most of our Chapters in excellent condition financially and spiritually and well staffed with competent officers."

In the necrology report we read: "They gave of themselves in their belief in Masonry and did their best to make us realize the truths taught through our degrees. The world needs the teaching of Masonry. Let us be determined that the great lessons of fellowship and brotherhood that our departed loved ones, in Masonry, taught to us will through us be handed on to increasing numbers, so that we, too, may merit that accolade that we know our departed Companions have received, "Well done!"

Prayer followed.

The Grand Secretary reported a total membership of 1,474, which was a net loss of 11.

The Grand Treasurer reported actual cash on hand May 1st, $1,506.12.

Jack Richards was elected Grand High Priest.

Bert Atwater was elected Grand Secretary.

The forty-eighth Annual Convocation will be held the second Wednesday in May, 1959, in the Masonic Temple in Salt Lake City.

There being no further business, M. E. High Priest Richards declared the Convocation closed.

Vermont

M. Lionel Burdick, Ludlow, M. E. Grand High Priest

Aaron H. Grout, Burlington, R. E. Grand Secretary

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Vermont held its One Hundred and Forty-First Annual Convocation in the city of Burlington, Tuesday, June 10, 1958.

The Grand Chapter was opened by Comp. M. Lionel Burdick, M. E. Grand High Priest, in ample form after prayer by the Grand Chaplain. After the presentation of the flag of the United States at the altar the oath of allegiance was repeated and the colours deposited in the East.

Then followed the reception of Past Grand High Priests and distinguished guests, who were warmly welcomed by the Grand High Priest, invited to seats in the East, and accorded the grand honours. Alton G. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, F. and A. M., the head of the foundation of all Masonry in our jurisdiction, was greeted with applause, assured of the loyalty of the Capitular Rite, accorded the Grand Honours, and seated in the East.

The following resolution was received and referred to the Committee on Ritual:

"Be it resolved that the Ritual now in use in Vermont, under the Grand Chapter of Vermont, R. A. M., be amended by eliminating the Past Master degree as a required degree in Vermont Capitular Masonry and prerequisite to full membership in a Royal Arch Chapter."

Among the many Grand Chapter representatives present we note the name of George E. Cummings, representing Canada.

In the address of the Grand High Priest he referred to the loss of one hundred Companions who, a short time ago, were with us in our Chapters. "We mourn their loss and extend sympathy to their relatives and friends."

Outstanding among his visitations the Grand High Priest mentions the General Grand Chapter Triennial held in Sun Valley, Idaho. "This meeting was something to long remember. About nine hundred and fifty representatives were in attendance." He also referred to a trip to Canada for the one hundredth anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Canada. "I had the pleasure of meeting three distinguished Companions from Scotland, one from England and one from Australia. On Sunday, at the Grand Chapter church service, about one thousand six hundred and fifty Companions were in attendance."

As in other jurisdictions the Grand High Priest regretted to report a loss of twenty-three for the year.

An important recommendation made in the Grand Secretary's report was that a blanket liability policy in the Seabord Surety Co., issued in the name of the Grand Chapter and covering all subordinate Chapters, be procured and kept in force, and to pay the cost thereof that each Chapter be annually assessed twelve cents for each of its members.

The committee on Credentials reported that twenty-five out of twenty-seven Chapters were in attendance with a total of one hundred and eighty-eight members present.

The committee on Correspondence recommended that the Grand Chapter of Vermont extend recognition with exchange of representatives to the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Argentina.

Arthur E. Dietrich, Burlington, was chosen M. E. Grand High Priest for 1958-59.

No further business appearing, the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Vermont was closed in ample form.

The Supreme Grand Chapter of Victoria

The first quarterly Convocation of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Victoria for the year 1957 was held in Freemasons Hall, Melbourne, Wednesday, April 17, 1957.

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample, Ancient and Solemn Form at 4:45 P.M. M. E. Comp. A. J. Dean presiding. As M. E. Comp. Dean's

period of office terminated with this meeting he reported: "In Victoria our Order is growing in numerical strength, but not rapidly; we cannot expect, nor should we desire, that our numbers should increase at a rapid rate. The relationship of the Royal Arch to the Craft is to provide a further field of activity for the deeper thinking Freemasons; the number of such will always be limited, but our relative smallness is no measure of the value of our impact on the whole Masonic Family in Victoria."

At this Convocation R. E. Comp. William Duncan Kennedy was elected and installed as M. E. First Grand Principal of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Victoria. R. E. Comp. H. D. Thomas, P. G. H., continued as Grand Scribe E.

In his address at the July 17 Quarterly Convocation the First Grand Principal expressed delight with the friendliness and hospitality extended to him on his visits in both town and country. He notes that so many Royal Arch Masons are engaged in church, charitable, municipal and other good works in their communities.

In the Quarterly Convocation of Wednesday, January 15, 1958, the Grand Treasurer reported total assets of £14,628.

S. G. Newdick is our representative at Victoria and Allan Grant Near Grand Chapter of Victoria.

Virginia

Uroy Winston Harris, Grand High Priest

James Noah Hillman, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Fiftieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons in the Commonwealth of Virginia was held in the Masonic Temple, Richmond, Virginia, on Tuesday, October 22, 1957. After prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Edward Leon Smith, the Grand Chapter was opened in Solemn Form.

The distinguished guests and Grand Representatives were then presented and welcomed. Canada was represented by M. E. Comp. J. A. M. Taylor, Past Grand First Principal.

Extracts from the address of the Grand High Priest:

"It affords me great pleasure to bring you the greetings of the 67,000 Masons in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This is a time when all of us as members of this great Fraternity must stand together shoulder to shoulder in facing the problems of the years that lie ahead. We must plan our work with diligence. One of our prime objectives as a great Fraternity is the building of a better world for tomorrow. We must have vision.

Freemasonry is a living, a moving, a vibrating force in the world today. It should be a gospel of living service to God and to our fellow men. Our Freemasonry has held up the fact that there is no salvation save we turn only to the tabernacle whence cometh all our help.

We miss many beloved friends who walk with us no more. It is with sorrow and a sense of great loss that we report the death of 323 Companions of our Constituent Chapters. Our sympathies are extended to their families. In loving memory of these departed Companions let us stand in silent meditation while our Grand Chaplain leads us in prayer."

Then followed a long list of visitations.

In summing up the Grand High Priest said, "There are 21 Capitular districts in the Commonwealth of Virginia representing 80 Royal Arch Chapters and a membership of 18,145 Royal Arch Masons. Royal Arch Masonry enjoys a favorable position in Virginia Masonry.

To justify our existence as Royal Arch Masons and be worthy of our heritage let us be men of personal integrity, civic responsibility, social responsibility and moral responsibility."

The Grand Secretary reported a membership of 18,145, a net gain of 40.

The Grand Treasurer reported balance September 30, 1957—$14,-732.70, made up of cash and bonds.

M. E. Silverius Churn was elected Grand High Priest.

The Convocation was closed in ample form.

Washington

Kenneth N. Carmody, Grand High Priest

Walter H. Steffey, Grand Secretary

The Seventy-Fourth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Washington convened in the Masonic Temple, Tacoma, Thursday, May 22, 1958, at the hour of nine o'clock A.M.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form by Most Excellent Companion Kenneth N. Carmody, Grand High Priest, assisted by the officers of the Grand Chapter.

Omar T. Bratrud, a member of the city council of Tacoma, extended to the Grand Chapter a hearty welcome to the city of Tacoma.

Distinguished guests were escorted to the Grand East, introduced to the Grand Chapter and accorded the Grand Honors of Royal Arch Masonry. Many Knights of the York Cross of Honor were presented west of the altar and courteously welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

In his address the Grand High Priest said, "It is gratifying to note the enthusiasm with which the Companions are using the Code, Monitor and Ritual. How fortunate we are in Washington that our Grand Chapter has provided these most important working tools for our use. We are the only Grand Chapter in the world, to my knowledge, who has made available to every member these important aids to better Capitular proficiency and understanding.

"I am disappointed to report that we did not show a net gain for the year. True we did come from a loss the year before of fifty-eight members to a loss of only two, but still a loss.

"It is my sad duty to report that one hundred and ninety-six of our Companions have gone over the Great Divide. Let us stand while the Grand Chaplain offers a prayer in memory of our departed Companions.

"I have had the pleasure of visiting, at least once, each of the fifty-seven Chapters of our wonderful State.

"On September 27th I had the pleasure, with the assistance of twenty-seven of the Grand Officers to institute Triple Tau Chapter. Among those present was Most Excellent Companion Arthur Hamilton, Grand Z of British Columbia. He gave a very fine address. Thank God for our Canadian neighbours.

"On March 24 I again had the privilege of visiting with Most Excellent Companion Hamilton. This was one of the really big events in the history of Royal Arch Masonry in Washington. Through the efforts of Right Excellent Companion Tod Dodson of British Columbia and Very Excellent Companion Joe Ludwig, Deputy for District No. 13, the first International Night was held with Bellingham Bay Chapter No. 12 acting as host. There were over two hundred Canadians present of which one hundred and twenty-six were inducted into the Oriental Chair. This event will go down in history as the biggest thing of its kind ever held."

The Grand High Priest recommends that as they have been recognized by most of the other Grand Chapters, that we recognize and have fraternal relations with the Grand Chapter of Argentina.

The Grand Treasurer reported total assets May 1, 1958, to be $23,-173.72.

The Grand Secretary reported the membership December 31, 1957—9,654, with a net loss of two for the year. All Chapters have sent in their annual returns, paid the required fees and dues. The special assessment levied for the purpose of celebrating the 75th anniversary has been paid in full for the year 1957.

Among the Grand Representatives present was Albert Jensen from Canada. An outstanding oration was given by the Grand Orator, Very Excellent Companion Herman F. Evarts.

Duke T. Fife was elected Grand High Priest for 1958-59.

All matters of business having been disposed of the seventy-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Washington was closed in ample form.

The seventy-fifth Annual Convocation will be held in the Masonic Temple, Walla Walla, Washington, on May 21-22, 1959.

West Virginia

Robert H. Bowlby, Grand High Priest

Nelson S. Orkney, Grand Secretary

The Eighty-Seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia was held in the Masonic Temple, Charleston, on Monday and Tuesday, October 14-15, 1957.

There were many distinguished visitors and Grand Representatives present. There were seven representatives present from various parts of Canada. All were introduced and welcomed.

Some extracts from the address of the Grand High Priest:

"Here in our beautiful Ritual we have revealed many of the great lessons of the Bible. We should never put our Fraternity above the Church. Masonry is a way of life and the more we discuss it, the better that way will be. The free world today is the Christian world. Did it ever occur to you that we, as Masons, collectively have a great power for good. We, as Masons, have a great responsibility among the leaders for freedom and Christianity. Nothing, in my opinion, will do more good for the internal workings of a Chapter than to visit other Chapters from time to time. Some of our Chapters have shown a steady increase and it proves what can be done if you want to work and have the proper Masonic incentive."

Then the Grand High Priest gave an outline of his year's visitations.

The report of the Committee on Necrology showed that 210 Companions had passed on during the year. Deepest sympathy was extended to the bereaved.

The Grand Secretary reported a total membership of 10,793, a gain of 59.

The Grand Treasurer reported total assets of $26,758.36.

Okey S. Sheets was elected Grand High Priest.

The Convocation was closed in ample form.

Wisconsin

Fred C. Lotzow, Grand High Priest

Earl G. Gile, Grand Secretary

The One Hundred and Eighth Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Wisconsin was held in the Masonic Temple in the city of Green Bay on May 5th and 6th, 1958.

After the Invocation by the Grand Chaplain the distinguished guests were introduced, welcomed and given Grand Honors. Among the number was Hugh Eakin. Grand First Principal of Manitoba, Canada.

The Grand High Priest gave a splendid review of his year's activities and visitations. "A final analysis of the annual reports shows a total membership of 18,444 or a decrease of 202 members. We have several dormant Chapters in the State. Every Chapter is as strong, as weak, as enthusiastic, as apathetic as its members are. What a Chapter is or does depends solely upon the interest of its members. During the year 481 of our Companions have passed on. We mourn their loss and extend our sympathy to the loved ones and friends. Among those who have been called to higher service was the Grand Secretary and also one of our Past Grand High Priests. "They are not dead, they live in hearts they leave behind."

The Grand Treasurer reported balance on hand May 1, 1958, combined account (including funds held in reserve) $27,676.29.

The following officers were elected: George J. Schreiber,, Grand High Priest; Earl G. Gile, Grand Secretary.

The one hundred and eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Wisconsin was closed at 12:45 P.M. in ample form by Grand High Priest Schreiber with Grand Chaplain Griffith pronouncing the benediction.

The Grand Triennial Convocation General Grand Chapter

The Fiftieth Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was held in Sun Valley, Idaho, October 1-2-3, 1957 A.D.

Tom Quitman Ellis, General Grand High Priest 1954-1957.

The Officers and members of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons assembled in the Opera House at Sun Valley, Idaho, at 1:30 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon, October 1, 1957 A.D.

The General Grand Chapter was opened in ample form by the General Grand High Priest.

Distinguished visitors were presented and greeted, and extended the Grand Honours.

General Grand Chapter

The M. E. General Grand High Priest presented his Triennial Address. It was a magnificent oration, practical, inspiring and crammed with valuable suggestions for the good of the Order, not only in the various Grand Chapters of the United States of America but throughout the world wherever Royal Arch Masons are engaged in persuing their time-honoured rights and sacred duties dedicated to the exaltation of the Most High and the general good of humanity. This reviewer would like to be able to quote at length from this worth-while address, replete with inspirational oratory and practical advice and suggestion. However, space and time decree otherwise.

Under the head of visitations "I humbly submit that my files disclose that I have travelled one hundred and thirty thousand miles in promotion of what I have conceived to be the best interest of Royal Arch Masonry."

Official Acts and Decision: "Some queries reached me from various Grand Jurisdictions affiliated with the General Grand Chapter which smacked of controversy involving custom, procedure or law. In every such instance I declined answer or comment, advising such Companions

that General Grand Chapter is merely a co-ordinating body, neither possessing nor assuming dictatorial powers and that such questions should be handled with proper authorities in their respective jurisdictions."

Dispensations and Charters—In addition to Charters issued Grand Chapters of Mexico and Germany, charters were also issued to two Chapters in Japan. "I granted dispensation to our Chapters in Japan to receive and ballot out of time on petitions for the Royal Arch Degrees until, and only until, the holding of a York Rite festival on a certain date to be set in October or November, 1957." "We are proud of our Grand Chapter of the Philippines. Royal Arch Masonry, there long neglected, is coming into its own. New Chapters are being established, membership is increasing and there is a great surge of activity."

Alaska: "As Alaska grows and approaches statehood, Freemasonry will continue to grow in the Arctic Circle."

Hawaii: Honolulu Chapter No. 1 is this year celebrating its one hundredth anniversary.

Finances: Permanent Fund securities of $56,000.00 bring an annual income of $1,532.50.

The General Grand Secretary, M. E. Comp. Roscoe R. Walcutt, reported the total membership of 53 affiliated Chapters, as of July 1, 1957, as 614,183, which represents a gain of 5,922 over the previous triennium.

Election of Officers: The following General Grand Officers were elected to serve for the ensuing triennium:

General Grand High Priest—J. Luther Jordan, Louisianna.

General Grand King—Edwin A. Martini, Minnesota.

General Grand Scribe—William F. Clark, Massachusetts.

General Grand Treasurer—Walter C. Hickman, Arkansas.

General Grand Secretary—Roscoe R. Walcutt, Ohio.

General Grand Captain of the Host—Sprague H. Carter, Oregon.

Trustee for Term ending 1966—Frank E. Simmons, Manitoba.

Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and the Dominions and Dependencies of the British Crown

Quarterly Communications of March and June, 1958, held at Freemasons Hall, London.

M. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. Lord Harris, M. C. Grand Master on the Throne, assisted by (March) R. W. Bro. Col. C. B. Spencer, O.B.E., T.D., LL.B., and (June) R. W. Bro. Major R. L. Loyd, O.B.E., M.C., Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge opened in ample form. The Rt. Hon. Lord Harris was at once re-elected Grand Master for the ensuing year. In his acceptance the M. W. Grand Master said: "Brethren, I do thank you very much indeed for having proposed and accepted the motion that I should be elected for another year to rule over this Degree. It is a very proud position for me—and I can assure you that I will do my utmost to serve you during the coming year. It may perhaps be rather a difficult one, and we may have to face difficulties—not so much in the March Degree, but outside difficulties—but let us hope that those difficulties will be surmounted."

The Report of the General Board (March) records that ending December 31, 1957, there have been 825 applications for Mark Certificates. Three Lodges have been granted warrants during last quarter.

In report of Mark Benevolent Fund, 23 petitioners were given relief to extent of £3,079. A motion to make increased assessments to meet rising costs was debated and on the recommendation of the General Board was finally carried.

In the June Convocation the General Board reported applications for 1,091 Mark Certificates since the March report. Benevolent Branch reported 19 petitioners relieved to extent of £2,239 and £250 given for Education Branch. The M. W. Bro. Rt. Hon. Lord Harris was re-elected and installed as Grand Master, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Robert Lindsay Loyd was again installed as Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Master reported on a visit to Rotterdam where he, assisted by Grand Officers, instituted a new Mark Lodge under the Grand Lodge of England as are the Lodges in Finland. Grand Master, Lord Harris, also referred to "an Introduction to Mark Masonry" by very Worshipful Brother J. A. Grantham as containing much information useful to members of the Degree. (Is this Brother James Grantham who was Grand Master of Council of Royal and Select Masters of Ontario some few years ago—a member of Enoch Council No. 10, London, Ontario?)

Grand Lodge was closed in ample form and the National Anthem was sung.

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